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The Diani Beach Art Gallery – a place for art lovers and artists alike!

Bringing together artists from all over Africa, the gallery offers a great variety of contemporary African Art consisting of oils, acrylics, mixed media, photography and sculptures from metal, stone and clay.

The versatile selection of pieces offers the art aficionado a wide choice and ensures there are pieces to be found for every taste and preference.

Take a minute to include your arty side by browsing the striking art selection presented to you in our latest catalogue edition and have a look at our Facebook page (facebook.com/diani.art.gallery) for recently acquired pieces, artist profiles and news of the African art world.

All artworks shown in this catalogue are originals unless otherwise stated. Prices are exclusive of shipping. Shipping can be arranged worldwide.





RONALD KERANGO

Ronald Kerango has always had a strong desire to express himself. He has also tried to create artwork from materials found within his immediate environment as he felt he related to them and they were part of his life.

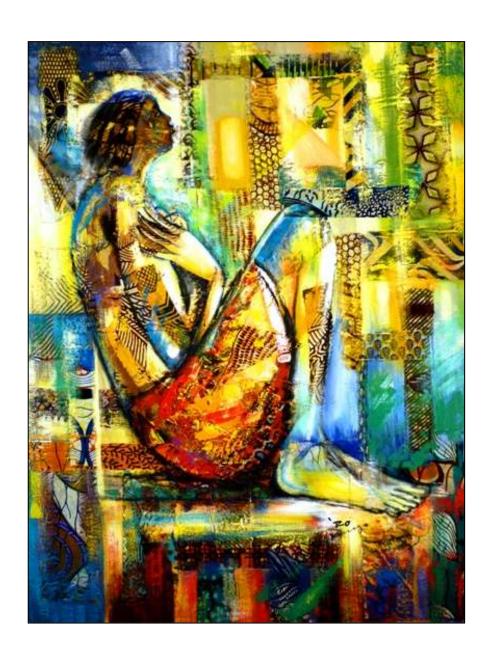
As time has gone by, Kerango's art has often sought to investigate the way in which different materials 'behave' in the process of self expression. He has also deduced that different materials could be used in setting the tone of the expression to be conveyed even before the artist puts paint to canvas.

This is evident in his work now, as different colour palettes of traditional pieces of materials are used as the background of his work. This creates a very textured finish and an exciting composition.

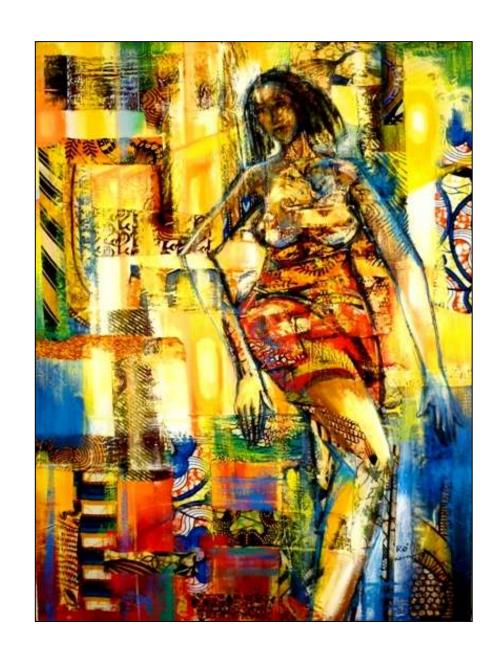
Kerango also seeks to tackle sensitive social issues such as gender. In his most recent pieces, he highlights the need for gender equality in Uganda by using the female form as an inspiration to his pieces.

"Ro" as he is famously known among his peers was born in 1984 in Kampala and attended the prestigious Margaret Trowel School of Industrial and Fine Arts at Makerere University and obtained a Bachelor's Degree.

In 2014, "Ro" was featured among the top 10 contemporary artists in Uganda by the Culture Trip



Ronald Kerango Within Mixed media on canvas 60cm x 80cm USD 1,070



Ronald Kerango Walking Tall Mixed media on canvas 60cm x 80cm USD 1,070



ADRIAN NDUMA

Adrian Nduma has earned his place as one of the promising collectable artists in Kenya as work by the artist sold at a private sale in 2012 for Sh2.2 million.

Nduma attributes his technique to influences from his former career. "Having been in advertising, form is of the essence," he explains. He has worked with many companies in Kenya developing graphics for their advertising campaigns.

With that background in advertising and graphics Nduma's composition, form and colour are rather unique.

Colour, beauty and abstraction are Adrian Nduma's pillars - art for the sake of art. If you're familiar with Adrian's work then you know just how playfully he steers his palette.

His trance-inducing style is largely surrealistic and abstract. He also likes to experiment with various media and styles in his paintings.

The former banker holds a degree in fine art from Kenyatta University. Having focused on full-time painting ten years ago, Nduma's style is consistently evolving.





Adrian Nduma
Whispering Palms II
Mixed media on canvas
54cm x 64cm
USD 1,050

Adrian Nduma
Whispering Palms I
Mixed media on canvas
54cm x 64cm
USD 1,050



FRED ABUGA

Fred Abuga's creations are influenced by colour, nature and women's activities. Made with his typical broad strokes of single hues the paintings are a rainstorm of colour that melts into unity when viewed from a distance.

Fred is a creative Kenyan artist who showed exceptional talent at an early age. He was constantly referred to as "chief artist" because of his contribution to the drama and journalism clubs painting backdrops and cartoons.

Fred holds a diploma in Fine Art from the Buruburu Institute of Fine Arts (BIFA) and has participated in numerous exhibitions both locally and abroad: in Nairobi at the National Museum of Kenya, Karen Blixen, La Rustique, Goethe Institute, Alliance Françoise and other National Arts Exhibition, ISK shows, and in Cortina, Italy.

In 2006 he was the most promising male artist in the "Contemporary Art in Kenya" juried exhibition held at the French Cultural centre and at the German Institute, Nairobi.



Fred Abuga Sokoni II Oil on canvas 140cm x 140cm USD 4,175



Fred Abuga Fishing at Dusk Oil on canvas 120cm x 120cm USD 3,125





Fred Abuga
Man on Path & Napier Grass
Oil on canvas
70cm x 140cm
USD 3,550 each



Fred Abuga Cow's day II Oil on canvas 163cm x 100cm USD 3,750



Fred Abuga Cow's day I Oil on canvas 163cm x 100cm USD 3,750



Fred Abuga Heavy Load Oil on canvas 61cm x 91cm USD 1,050



Fred Abuga A fisherman Oil on canvas 60cm x 80cm USD 1,250



SSALI YUSUF

Ssali Yusuf is a Ugandan artist born in 1983 at Kireka, Wakiso district. He studied Industrial & Fine Arts graduating with a BA Degree from Makerere University in Uganda.

Ssali started painting full time in 2003, after he had practiced his skills with different artists in Uganda. His inspiration comes from day to day activities done mainly by African women and cultural goings-on in African societies.

Yusuf uses oil and acrylic on canvas, but once in a while he likes to use bark cloth, a popular medium in his homeland. His paintings are rich in dark hues of royal purple and navy blue, with generous additions of warm shades to create a buffet of colour that is unmistakably the artist's signature.

He has exhibited his works at numerous galleries including the Makerere University art gallery, Tulifanya art gallery, Afriart gallery kamokya, Aid child, gallery Watatu Nairobi, RAMOMA Museum of art Nairobi, Evere commune Brussels Belgium, NATTA art in east Europe, Rue-Dela Madeleine 17 Brussels, Holland Boxmeer and others.

As a professional artist, Ssali prays that he leaves the earth with a legacy of works and to be known as a world-famous painter.



Ssali Yusuf
Dance To The Ceiling
Acrylics on canvas
150cm x 120cm
USD 2,500



Ssali Yusuf The Last Event Acrylics on canvas 200cm x 150cm USD 3,125



Ssali Yusuf Blue and Red Acrylics on canvas 100cm x 65cm USD 1,250



Ssali Yusuf Story Telling Acrylics on canvas 80cm x 60cm USD 940



Ssali Yusuf Different But One Acrylics on canvas 100cm x 80cm USD 1,250



Ssali Yusuf Mother's Gift Acrylics on canvas 100cm x 80cm USD 1,250



MARK KASSI

Born in Byamugisha, Uganda, in 1978, Mark Kassi is a graduate of Kyambogo University where he did a Diploma in Textiles and Fabric Decoration.

However his earlier passion for painting coerced him to pursue a self taught career in the arts.

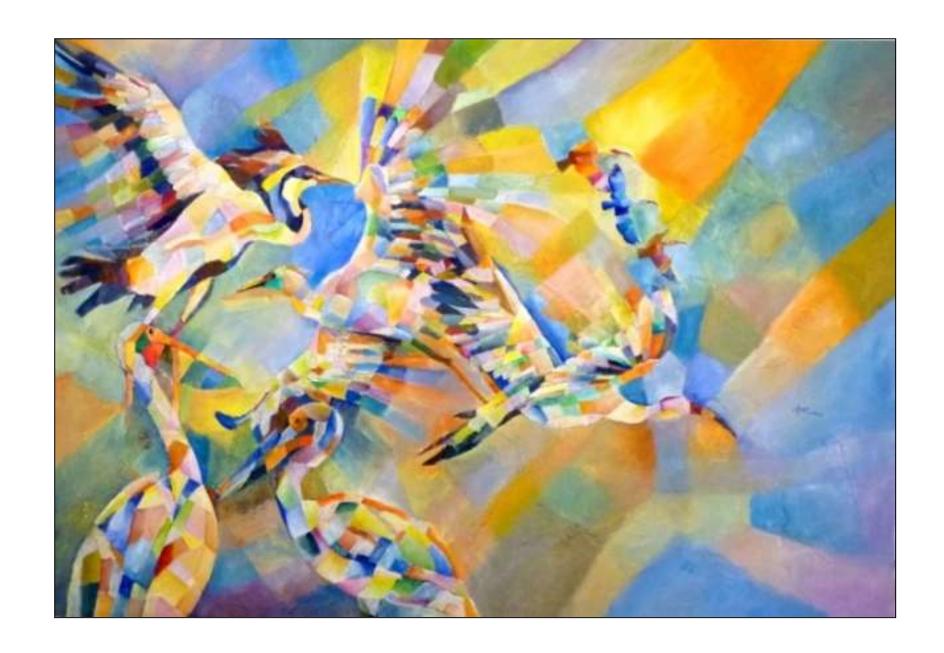
Kassi experimented with various art forms and media settling for oil and acrylic painting. He also uses ink and graphite for drawing media.

Mark draws his motivation from social issues. His works are a reflection of the people he meets, their lifestyles, and cultural values; something he seeks to express in his works both in realism and abstract form.

His latest works are largely inspired by wildlife and nature.



Mark Kassi Treasure Hunters Acrylics on canvas 90cm x 60cm USD 1,050



Mark Kassi Angel Heights Acrylics on canvas 130cm x 90cm USD 3,125



Mark Kassi His Fears Acrylics on canvas 90cm x 60cm USD 1,050



ZERIHUN SEYOUM

Zerihun Seyoum has been interested in art for nearly as long as he can remember, and since the age of 7 has focused his attention on art almost exclusively. By the time he was 13 years old Zerihun had won a prestigious art award from the Ethiopian Ministry of Education, for a drawing that advocated for people in Ethiopia living with HIV/AIDS, establishing his interest in subjects of a contemporary nature.

Along with his other studies, he immersed himself in art during the four years of his high school education, exploring both drawing and painting. Upon graduation from high school, Zerihun pursued a diploma in Fine Arts and Design (Painting) at Addis Ababa University, graduating in the year 2000.

Following his studies at Addis Ababa University, Zerihun taught art for three years in various art schools in and around Addis Ababa. Teaching art allowed him to hone his artistic skills, while nurturing his own passion for art and instilling that passion in others.

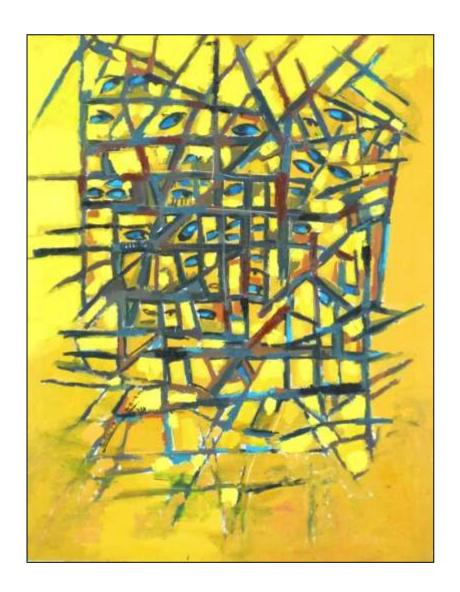
With these experiences in mind, Zerihun determined to establish his own studio and teaching centre, which he opened in 2003 and named "Embassy of Ideas". Since that time Embassy of Ideas has evolved into an environment that welcomes other artists from Ethiopia and around the world – becoming an embassy of collaboration and creativity.

Zerihun's university education introduced him to Western artistic traditions and painting styles, and his early work has a basis in a realistic, representational approach. After graduation, however, Zerihun found himself returning to stories from his childhood and traditional Ethiopian art forms, while also incorporating ideas from the Expressionist and other Modern art movements.

This fusion of artistic influence results in a distinctive painting style, in which bold colour and geometric patterning create dynamic figures, shapes and textures.



Zerihun Seyoum Structure IV Oil on canvas 80cm x 115cm USD 2,815



Zerihun Seyoum Structure II Oil on canvas 70cm x 90cm USD 1,875

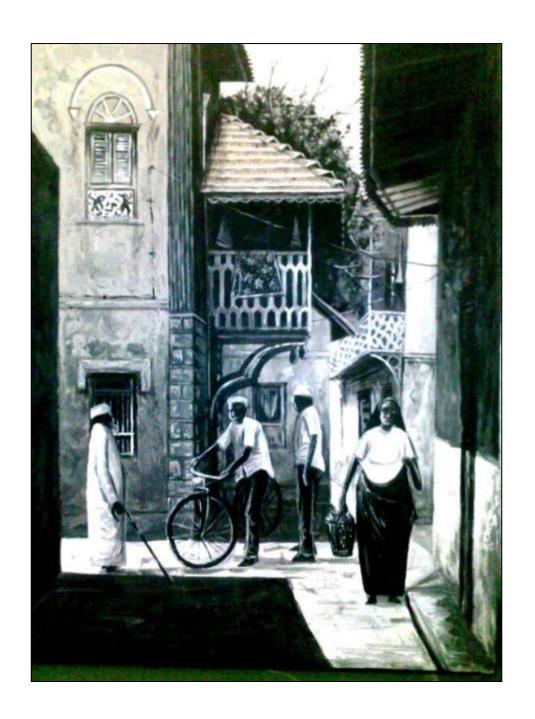


SELE AMOUR

Sele's art beautifully captures the atmosphere of Stone Town in Zanzibar, his birthplace, where shadows play in the narrow streets and alleyways. These shadows and his keen eye for detail make for a great application of his colours of choice —black and white, and the transient use of grayscales.

As a self-taught artist, whose only education in the arts was a five week long introductory course in visual arts, his use of perspective and the fine depiction of the people within give his work a feeling of life, as if one could just step into the painting and would find oneself in the middle of the maze of lanes which form Stone Town.

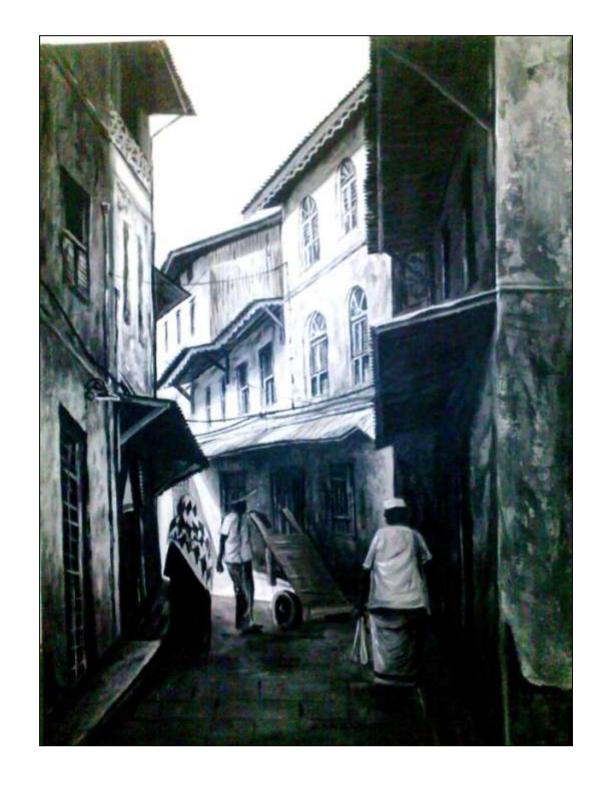
Sele was born in 1981; he finished his secondary education in 1999. As a professional artist Sele participated in a group exhibition at the Aga Khan Cultural Centre in Zanzibar in 2003



Sele Amour Hurumzi Street Acrylics on canvas 65cm x 93cm USD 850



Sele Amour Soko Muhogo Street Acrylics on canvas 63cm x 85cm USD 850



Sele Amour Vuga Street Acrylics on canvas 87cm x 121cm USD 1,190

















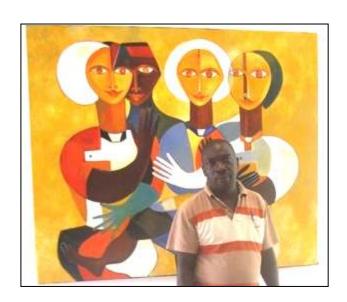


8 carefully chosen artworks by African artists have been selected to produce this gift set of folding greeting cards. They come packed in cellophane bags, are wrapped with water lily string and have an empty gallery tag so you can write a message if you're planning to give the card set as a gift.

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KIZITO MARIA KASULE

From extremely humble beginnings as a street child to earning a PhD and teaching at the Makerere University, Kizito Maria Kasule of Uganda has made a name for himself as one of Africa's Premiere artists. He is a graduate of the same University, and has been professionally involved in Art since obtaining his Bachelor's in Fine Arts in 1993. In 2003 he obtained a PhD in Fine Arts.

Kizito has been described as the "Picasso of Africa" and his oil paintings are in the homes of many distinguished diplomats, hotel and bank lobbies in Germany, Kenya, Canada, Kampala, South Africa, Entebbe, Denmark and recently Namibia, in the Terra Africa House.

His dedication to the development of the Arts has been manifested in the foundation and establishment of Uganda's first Academy of Art and Design in 2008, the 'Nagenda International Academy of Art Design' (NIAAD).

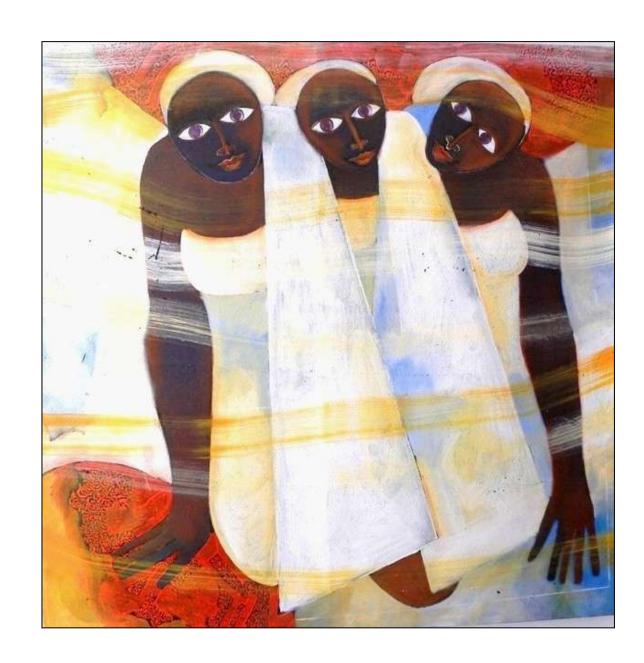
NIADD not only includes art history, oil painting, sculpting and textile design in its curriculum but also builds new connections and networks with Universities around sub-Saharan Africa and internationally. These networks help to facilitate international student and teaching exchange programs. It is an institution that could become the model art academy in Africa, under the visionary stewardship of Mr. Kasule.



Kizito Maria Kasule The letter from Mombasa Oil on canvas 144cm x 147cm USD 2,300



Kizito Maria Kasule Untitled 4 Oil on canvas 146cm x 145cm USD 1,475



Kizito Maria Kasule Untitled 3 Oil on canvas 146cm x 145cm USD 1,475



Kizito Maria Kasule Birth & Conception I Oil on canvas 252cm x 139cm USD 3,125



ANTHONY OKELLO

In 2013, Anthony's Masquerade series earned the highest price ever fetched by an artwork from a Kenyan artist at the Bonham's Auction in London when it was auctioned for £6,250; making him one of Kenya's most celebrated and sought after artists.

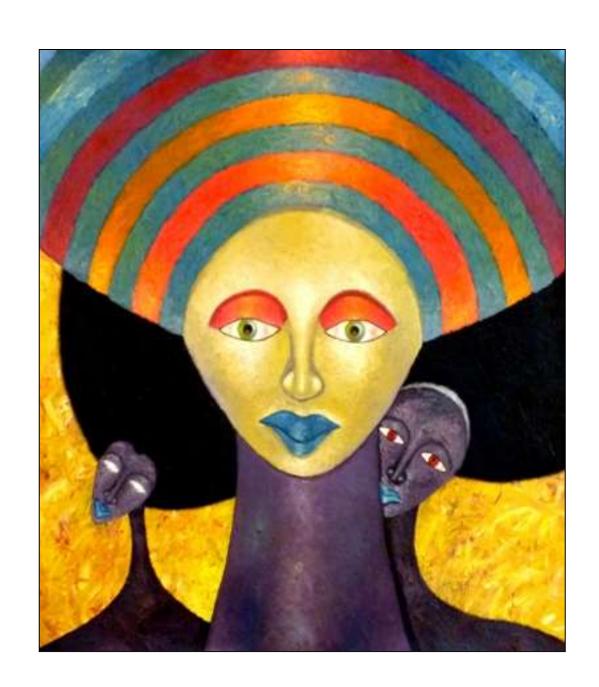
Anthony's artistic journey is one that he says has been filled with more questions than answers. He delved into the world of fine art immediately after college, but found numerous challenges. Always looking for 'a new language of expression' Anthony took to art because he liked that he could tell his stories the way he wanted to through this medium.

To Okello, art is 10% hard work and 90% open, honest conversation. This is why Anthony finds it very fulfilling to make pieces with the theme of popular stories and beliefs.

In the past few years, he has taken it upon himself to build a body of works around the understanding of African traditional stories and mythology. This has resulted in a series of paintings characterized by a dreamy nature.

Using generous amounts of oil, Anthony's stories come to life on the canvas as he seeks to tell different stories in his own particular way.

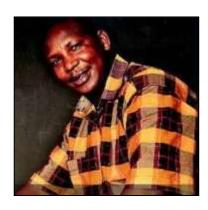
Born in Awendo in 1976, Okello studied graphic design at the Buruburu Institute of Fine Art. He has exhibited in Kenya and abroad, in France, Uganda and the Netherlands, among other places.



Anthony Okello Head Dress II Oil on canvas 66cm x 70cm USD 1,370



Anthony Okello Afro Oil on canvas 66cm x 64cm USD 1,250



JOSEPH CARTOON

Since selling his first piece in 1994 to Gallery Watatu, one of the earliest & most prestigious galleries of the time, Kenyan artist Joseph Cartoon (Joseph Njuguna) has participated in numerous group exhibitions and solo shows in East Africa, USA, Canada, France, Germany, Denmark, Japan, and Korea among other countries.

Some of his achievements include appearing on the cover of Contemporary African Art, a prestigious annual catalogue on Contemporary Art in Africa (1999) and winning the Royal Oversees League Award (2001, as well as being the only nominee from Africa). The latter award earned him a 2 year residency in the UK after which he continued to participate in local and world art projects that have seen him become one of the most collected artists in Kenya.

The powerful interplay of symbolism and colour is outstanding in Cartoon's art that mainly features the traditional African woman, folk tales and daily aspects of the African family. Other outstanding features are mushrooms indicating the rich highlands where he was born and a chameleon acknowledging ever changing times. Fish stand for the importance of good food and of trade.

Historian Sidney Kasfir (in 'Contemporary African Art', 1999) describes him as an artist whose work "possesses an exuberance which is extremely difficult for formally trained artists to achieve."

Joseph started drawing when he was in primary school. After completing his secondary education, where the subject of art was not taught, he met artist Shine Tani on his way to his uncle's house. It is through him that Cartoon's engagement in art was revived again. Shine introduced Cartoon to Gallery Watatu in 1994 where the late Ruth Scheffner purchased three of his paintings.

The drive behind the passion in Cartoon's heart is to see Kenyan and African art exhibited worldwide and artists free to express themselves globally.

Joseph was born in the village of Ngecha in 1976. Now in his mid-thirties, Cartoon is at his career's peak and continues a very active professional life. Early in 2009, his works were on the Scandinavian Tour Exhibition "Africa/ Now" (Denmark, Norway and Finland), while he had an exhibition at RaMoMa Museum in Nairobi, Kenya and at Mawazo Gallery, in Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania.



Cartoon Joseph Multi-purpose farmer Oil on canvas 83cm x 146cm USD 3,850



Cartoon Joseph Village activities Oil on canvas 80cm x 142cm USD 4,140





Cartoon Joseph When my pets are hungry Oil on canvas 25cm x 72cm USD 1,300 Cartoon Joseph The herbalist Oil on canvas 46cm x 94cm USD 1,690



EVARIST CHIKAWE

Evarist Chikawe's paintings are based on Tanzania's rich culture and traditions, trying to preserve these age-old cultural roots. The artist is inspired by strong colours that are normally seen from the dressing of Tanzanians, especially women. He mostly engages in figurative drawings of the human form because he believes that his life revolves around that of other people.

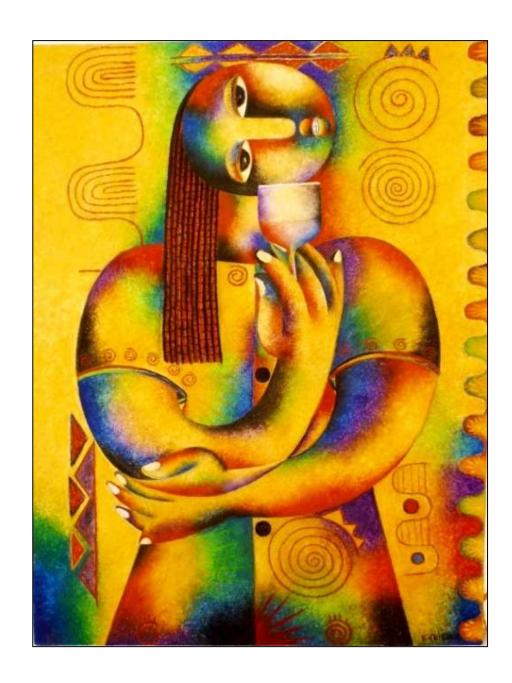
Evarist says that the human figures in his paintings give people an opportunity to easily understand the subjects he wants to portray, as they are easy to relate to from the beholders eye. And although Chikawe's style keeps on evolving, he keeps true to his chosen subject of figurative drawing.

Insisting that he engages in art for his own gratification, as his paintings bring him a sense of joy as he completes them, Chikawe also states that he sells his work because he believes art is there to be shared.

Evarist was born in Dodoma, Tanzania in 1974. After having spent time painting in his youth, Evarist started exhibiting his works at the age of 23. Asked about his life as an artist he says: "Art is good and I am happy being an artist."



Evarist Chikawe Musician Pastel on canvas 60cm x 80cm USD 1,125



Evarist Chikawe Red Wine Pastel on canvas 60cm x 80cm USD 1,125



SEBANDEKE MOHAMAD

Sebandeke is a creative Ugandan artist who showed exceptional talent at an early age. He comes from a family with artistic pedigree and he frequently watched his mum produce various designs and motifs on textile.

His defining moment came at the age of 16 when he decided to be a full-fledged artist after witnessing the success of his two older brothers in the art industry; and since then he has come to grow in leaps and bounds.

Sebandeke's subjects revolve around life and the activities that take place in his immediate environment and places he has visited. He brings together his subjects in a beautiful fusion of mellow colours and mostly weaves his magic using acrylic paints that show his background in making motifs.

The artist was born in 1991 and has had several exhibitions both in Uganda and internationally. These include; Morocco, The U.A.E., Zambia, Zagreb, Japan, Kenya, Zanzibar, Japan, Turkey, Germany, Tanzania, Rwanda, USA among others.

Sebandeke's works can also be seen in the MTN Headquarters in Rooderpoort, Johannesburg, South Africa.



Sebandeke Mohammad Bending Heads Acrylics on canvas 75cm x 126cm USD 840



Sebandeke Mohammad Indoors Acrylics on canvas 75cm x 126cm USD 840



DENNIS MURAGURI

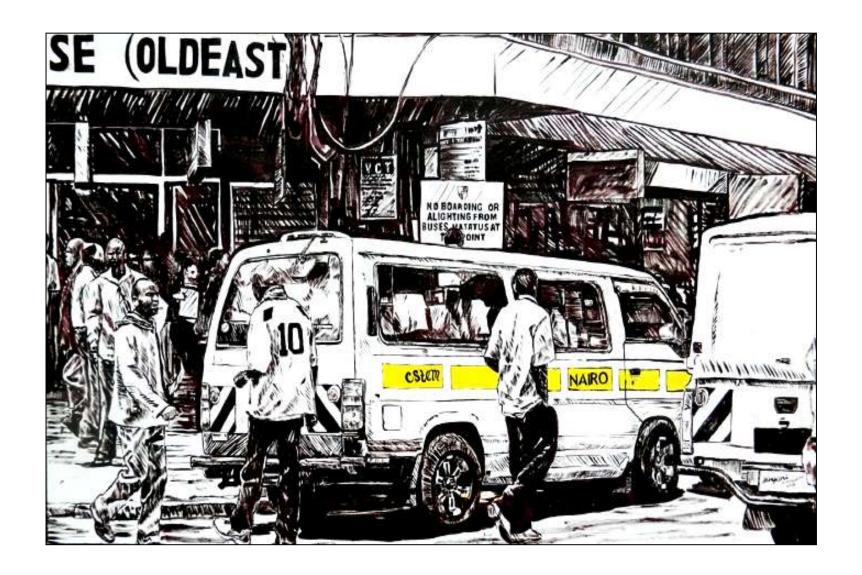
Dennis Muraguri is a Kenyan artist who was born in 1980 in Naivasha. He attended the Buru Buru Institute of Fine Arts in Nairobi between 2000-2003, where he graduated top of his class and attained a Diploma in Painting and History of Art.

Muraguri says he finds the overall inspiration for both his paintings and sculptures in globalization.

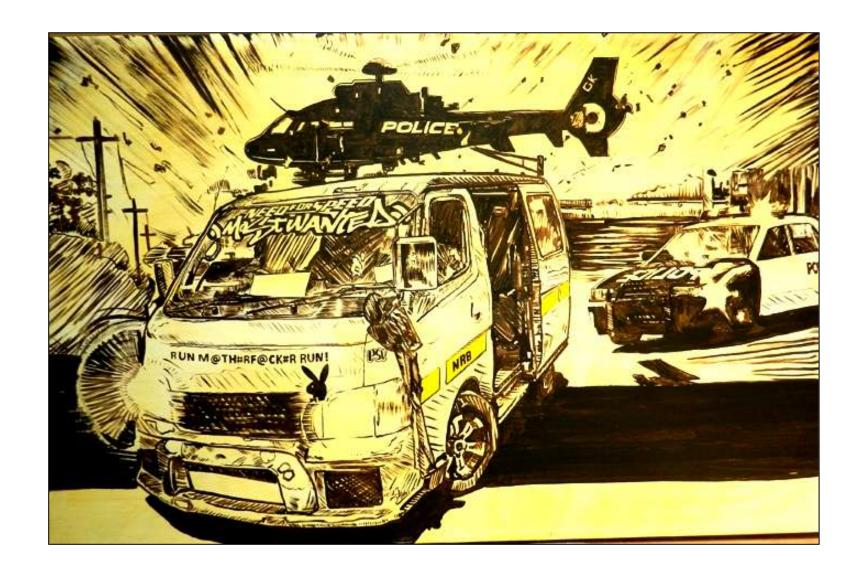
The message in Muraguri's work is positive and reflective, it tells the story that Africa is no longer the 'Dark Continent' but it is becoming more and more modernized and affected by technology.

Please go to page 169 to view Muraguri's sculptures. His works are a representations of the industrialization in Kenya and most of them are inspired by music, as can be seen his use of parts of instruments or metal shaped as such.

All sculptures are mixed media where wood and metal are combined. The metal used represents the people who manufacture all kinds of things. The wood, on the other hand, symbolizes the natural side of life.



Dennis Muraguri Old East Acrylics on canvas 188cm x 122cm USD 3,340



Dennis Muraguri Most Wanted Acrylics on canvas 188cm x 122cm USD 3,340



Dennis Muraguri Matatu For Governor Acrylics on canvas 188cm x 122cm USD 3,340



Dennis Muraguri Girl with Card Acrylic on canvas 66.5cm x 92cm USD 840



YASSIR ALI

Yassir Ali is a Sudanese artist who is currently living in Nairobi, Kenya. He graduated in 1997 from the Fine Art Department of Sudan University for Science and Technology.

His art work is inspired by Nubian culture. He uses the Nubian motifs colours and atmosphere. His paintings are intense and full of texture dotted with patches of vibrant paint on an already bright canvas. Yassir's work is loaded with colours of blue, red, ochre and orange. 'These are the colours of the Nubian people and they occupy the subject in my works'.

On why all his art works are untitled, the artist says "I do not like confining my ideas to a subject. My art can speak for itself without me having to interpret it to anyone."

Since 1998 Yassir has been involved in many projects for Sudanese children, for example Nafage Art Workshop at Abd elKarim Mirghani Cultural Center (AKMCC), Sudan. He is also responsible for promoting help for displaced and deprived children since 2000 for organization called Children's Culture of AKMCC.

He is also member of the Almada Art Group Union for Sudanese Artist and member of Kuona Trust in Nairobi.



Yassir Ali Untitled 6 Mixed Media 130cm x 130cm USD 4,175



Yassir Ali Untitled 7 Mixed Media 130cm x 130cm USD 4,175



Yassir Ali Untitled 8 Mixed Media 100cm x 100cm USD 3,125



Yassir Ali Untitled 9 Mixed Media 100cm x 100cm USD 4,175



Yassir Ali Untitled 10 Mixed Media 130cm x 130cm USD 6,250



LEENA SHAH

Leena was born and raised in Kenya and is a self-taught artist from an early age. Although she couldn't study art in her formative years, she kept doing it as a hobby by regularly taking part in competitions.

She got an opportunity to study art in High School where she won the best upcoming Artist award. Since then she has explored and experimented with a range of mediums.

Her passion for travel also opened her up to different types of art and her appreciation of expressing one's self through art grew. She visited museums, galleries, cultural markets and workshops everywhere she went.

These extensive travels across the world and art courses with some elite artists both in the US and in the UK have over the years inspired a new dimension to her paintings and influenced them greatly in terms of composition and execution.

This can also be seen in her range of paintings dedicated to the coast of Kenya. Playful hues of aqua, greens, purples and blues merge together in a colorful dance.

In 2013, she was feature in The Kenya Arts Diary and thereafter, she moved back to Kenya in January 2014 and has since been teaching art to 6-10 year old children.

Her paintings are in private collections in Nairobi, London, Switzerland, Chicago, New York, San Francisco, Australia and South Africa.



Leena Shah Going with the Flow Mixed media on canvas 76cm x 76cm USD 2,190



Leena Shah In the Deep Mixed media on canvas 51cm x 61cm USD 940



GERALDINE ROBARTS

Geraldine Robarts was born in London in 1939, and grew up in South Africa. Although she was the youngest ever student to be accepted for the Slade School of Art in London, she elected to complete her studies in South Africa, receiving a first class honours degree in Fine Art from the University of Witwatersrand. She later gained MA in Education from the University of Nairobi.

In 1968 she was selected to exhibit in "Artists of Fame and Promise" in Liverpool, England and in 1977 she took the Gold Medal at the arts competition in Palermo, Italy. She has exhibited worldwide and her work is in both institutional and private collections. For many years Geraldine was a lecturer in Fine Art, first at Makerere University, Kampala and then at Kenyatta University, Nairobi. Geraldine is a Canadian landed immigrant and in 1989 worked as Visiting Professor in Art Education at McGill University, Montreal. She has a large family living in Canada, China, England, Germany, South Africa and the USA. She won the open prize for designing the Africa Hall at Expo 2000, Hannover.

She is a Baha'i and has been a prominent worker with women's groups in Kenya since 1972. In the early 1960's she brought the craft of Batik making from Indonesia to Uganda and then to Kenya because the price of paints, brushes, and canvas was beyond the pocket of local artists, and in the early 1990's created workshops for making colourful ornamental sisal weaving and wall hangings in Kitui, Kenya. She also introduced solar fruit drying of mangoes and for 20,000 people at Kalimani, Kitui, facilitated the development of the health centre and water scheme providing water even in times of drought.





Geraldine Robarts
Abstract 1
Oil on canvas paper
38cm x 56cm
USD 565

Geraldine Robarts Abstract 2 Oil on canvas paper 29cm x50cm USD 485





Geraldine Robarts
Abstract 3
Oil on canvas paper
29cm x 47cm
USD 485

Geraldine Robarts
Abstract 4
Oil on canvas paper
25cm x 32cm
USD 485



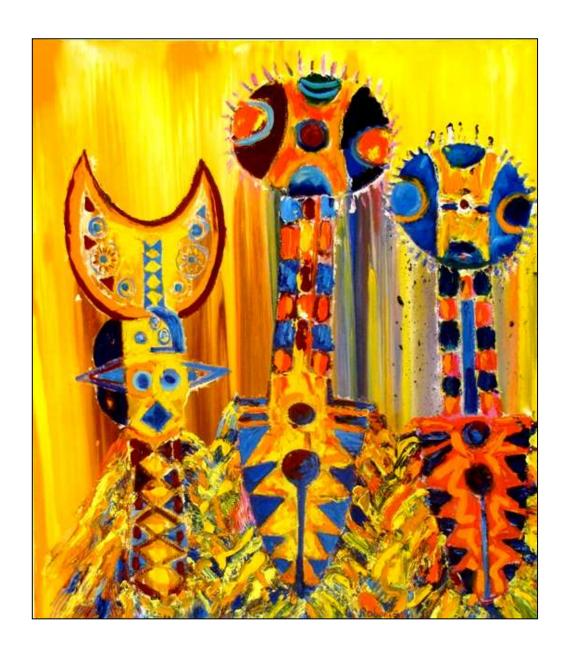
Geraldine Robarts Rooster Oil on canvas paper 32cm x 51cm USD 565



Geraldine Robarts
Mijikenda remembrance
Oil on canvas
92cm x 81cm
USD 3,125



Geraldine Robarts
The twins
Oil on canvas paper
91cm x 81cm
USD 3,125



Geraldine Robarts All that jazz Oil on canvas 81cm x 91cm USD 3,125



SUE MAAS

The second of eight children, Sue was born to parents that were both creative, especially her mother, who was an accomplished portrait painter and sculptor. Her dad introduced them to the great outdoors and this is where her love of wildlife and nature was born.

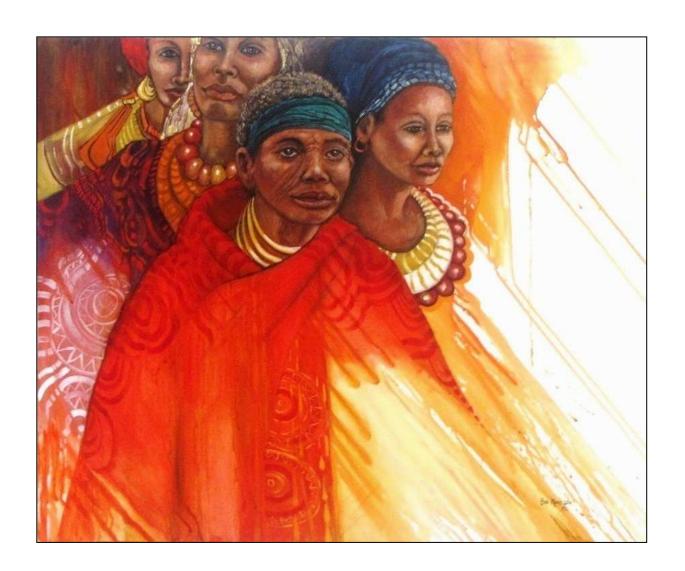
Sue draws her inspiration from all creation. The diverse characteristics of nature; flora and fauna, and the feeling of satisfaction that she gets from creating these stories on a surface using a handful of tools drive her.

Working mostly in realism and using oils, Sue hopes to draw the viewer into her world to impart to the onlooker the beauty of the created world of wildlife and of human beings. She would like to inspire humankind to be aware of the beauty and that we as the 'keepers' of this planet have the responsibility to safe it for future generations.

Sue was born in 1949 in Mutare, Zimbabwe and studied graphic art at the Bulawayo Art School, Zimbabwe. She is well travelled and has had stays in Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Lesotho and South Africa. When asked about her undeniable talent and what is behind it, Sue simply answers; 'It is in my blood!'



Sue Maas Ladies and Lace Oil on canvas 76cm x 102cm USD 1,700



Sue Maas The Matriarch Oil on canvas 91cm x 76cm USD 1,700



Sue Maas Approaching Fire Oil on canvas 61cm x 50cm USD 730



Sue Maas Serenity Oil on canvas 102cm x 51cm USD 980



KAMAL SHAH

Born 1953 Nairobi, Kenya Shah holds a degree in English Literature and Fine Arts and also has a postgraduate Diploma in Textile Design from the University of Leeds, U.K.

He ran the Rowland Ward Gallery in Nairobi in the early 1980's and in the mid 80's he was a founding member and art director of Kichaka, a multimedia workshop specializing in the printing of avant-garde African textiles. In the mid 1990's he decided to forgo his other commitments to paint full time.

Winner of the mixed media award during the Contemporary Art in Kenya Juried Competition & at the Alliance Françoise & Goethe-Institute in 2005, Kamal Shah is a renowned artist whose mixed media work is very much recognized.

His work is a story full of colour and strong visual textures. Although all his works are untitled, Kamal's ultimate impression is to allow his work to speak to his audience without giving itself easily away by placing a title to it.





Kamal Shah Masquerade 1 Mixed media on board 60cm x 60cm USD 950 Kamal Shah Masquerade 2 Mixed media on board 60cm x 60cm USD 950



DAMBA ISMAIL MUSOKE

Damba Ismail Musoke was born in 1982 in Rubaga, Kampala, Uganda. He joined Makerere University's Margaret Towell's school of Industrial and Fine Art in 2002 and graduated in 2005 with a BIFA hons. majoring in Illustrations and Drawing.

At the Ngoma International Artists workshops, an organization that promotes young and established Ugandan artists, Damba participated in exhibitions exposing him to the world of art beyond boarders.

Ismail has been exhibiting since 2002, and participated in the East Africa Art Biennale in 2005 and 2007. In 2007 he was also featured in an exhibition of Ugandan artists in Denmark and has won several prizes and awards for painting and print making.

" Everything I do in my art is about belief, the ability to accept what I feel inside as well as what I see all around me, to have faith in it, and to document what I see and feel through the medium of my art.

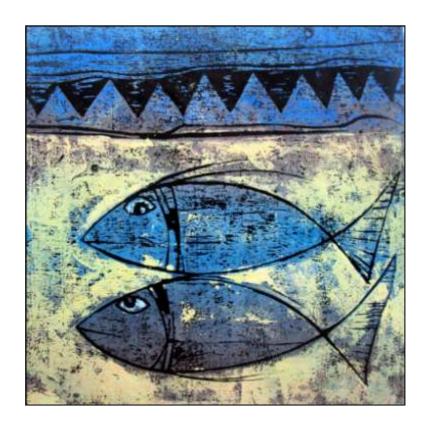
My images — especially of birds — are metaphors for this. My themes are the challenges of the society and of the environment I live in: Culture, politics and economies, the effects of globalization; people, their activities and opinions, their perceived social status, and the political hopelessness I too often sense here; the fate of our wildlife and the state of the natural world.

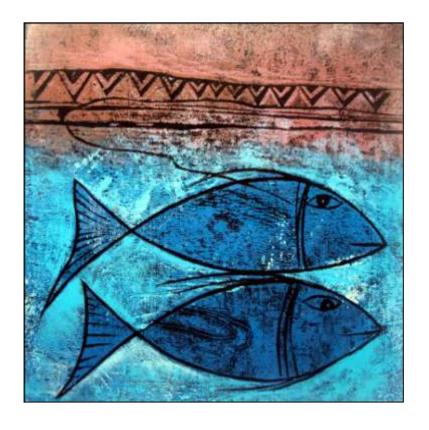
Line and colour are the common constituents of all art but the real essence for me is the relevance of the statement contained within. "





Damba Ismael Musoke Morning glory Woodcut print 30cm x 21cm USD 290 Damba Ismael Musoke By her side Woodcut print 30cm x 21cm USD 290





Damba Ismael Musoke Aquatic morning 1 Woodcut print 30cm x 30cm USD 290

Damba Ismael Musoke Aquatic morning 2 Woodcut print 30cm x 30cm USD 290

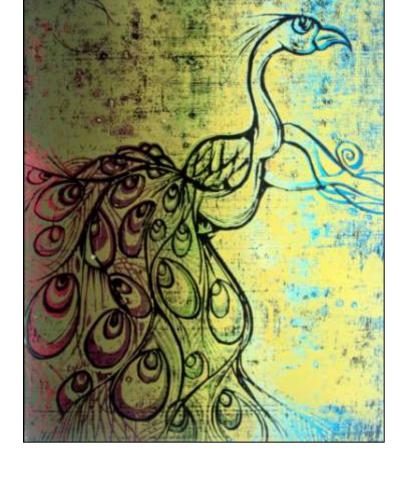




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Damba Ismael Musoke Me Woodcut print 15cm x 30cm USD 290

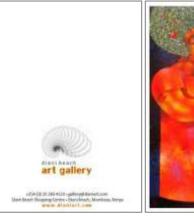




Damba Ismael Musoke She tells beautiful tales Woodcut print 25cm x38 cm USD 290

Damba Ismael Musoke But I miss him Woodcut print 30cm x 39cm USD 290

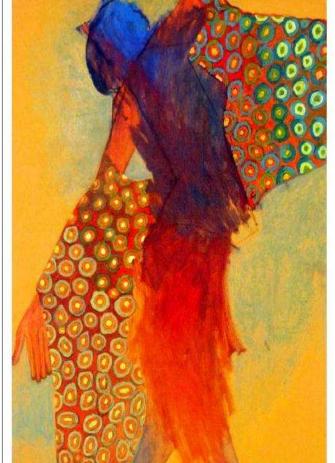












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NADIA KISSELEVA

In 1980, Nadia left her homeland of Russia for Africa. Her experience in Africa has been a major influence on Nadia's work. It provided for the development of the vivid and intense colour palette and the strong dramatic contrasts in her paintings. It also introduced a number of new themes and concepts to her artistic range.

Hers is a spontaneous style of painting which is easily recognizable. It also strongly reflects her daring and expressive personality. She tries to challenge the norms of art and question the boundaries of her own artistic routine.

Nadia has over time flourished as an artist and in 2003 she was awarded the Royal Birmingham Society of Artists Prize for the most innovative painting. In the year 2006 Nadia successfully graduated from Wimbledon School of Art (University of Arts London) with BA in painting and a year later completed her studies at the Camberwell College of Art (University of Arts London)

She has taken part in numerous group exhibitions (over two hundred) and has had over a dozen of successful solo shows in Kenya and the UK. In 2002 she was elected as a member of the Royal Birmingham Society of artists (RBSA)

Kisseleva is also an active member of the Birmingham Society of Artists. Her work can be found in private collections in the United States, the United Kingdom, Kenya, Denmark, Austria and other countries. In 2009 she was named by Gallery 94, London, as one of three most promising woman painters in London art scene in the exhibition 'Three Women Artists'. Her work is on permanent display at the State House, Nairobi.

Nadia received her formal training at Ryazan College of Art in Russia and now lives and works in Diani Beach, on the South Coast of Kenya.



Nadia Kisseleva The Meeting I (Maasai women) Mixed Media 150cm x 100cm USD 5,220



Nadia Kisseleva The Meeting II (Turkana women) Mixed Media 150cm x 100cm USD 5,220



Nadia Kisseleva Dry Season Mixed Media 74cm x 54cm USD 1,220



Nadia Kisseleva Xhosa woman Mixed Media 78cm x 62cm USD 1,570



Nadia Kisseleva Nude in blue Mixed Media-framed 57cm x 79cm USD 1,375



Nadia Kisseleva Tension Mixed Media-framed 42cm x 42cm USD 650



EVELINE HASSELMAN

Eveline was born in the Netherlands and has lived and worked in France, Spain, Italy, Belgium, Switzerland, Norway, Slovenia, Macedonia, Tunisia, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Kenya. After having travelled the world for many years, she decided to live on Diani Beach and spend most of her time at her easel, sketching and painting.

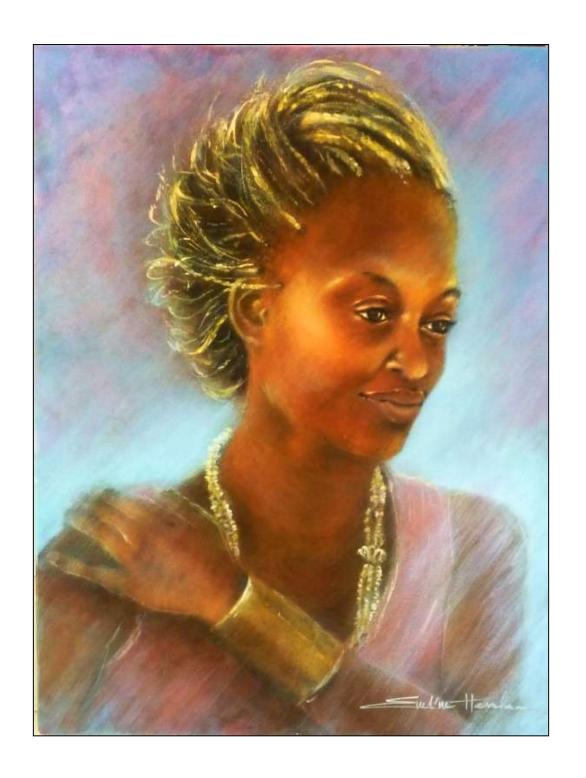
Twenty years ago, she met Poen de Wijs and Marion van Nieuwpoort, both famous artists in the Netherlands. After having met Eveline, they fell in love with Kenya and became her teachers, holding art classes both in The Hague and Diani.

After Marion's death in 2008, Eveline has been privileged to participate for a few months each year in Poen's international master classes, thus keeping abreast of any innovative techniques in the world of art. After all the art sessions in Poen's studio in the Hague, Eveline returns to Diani bursting with ideas for new drawings and paintings, eager to put her visions on canvas.

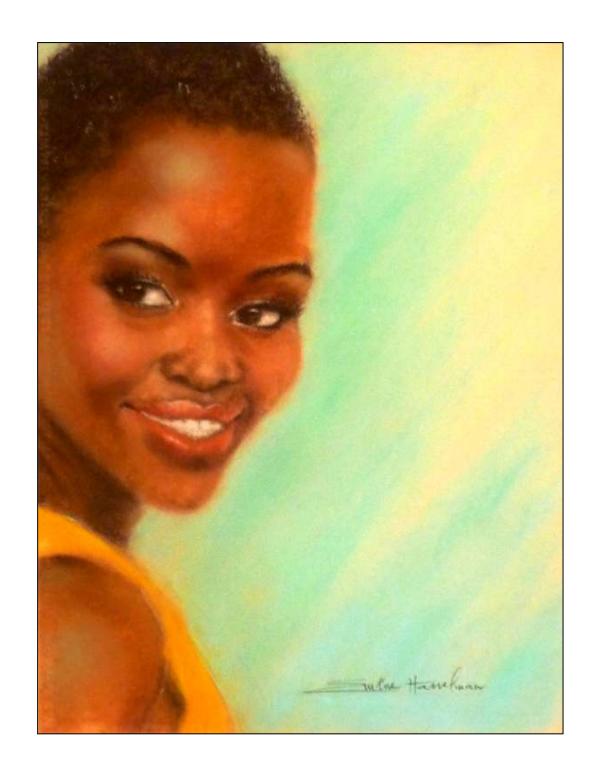
Eveline is endlessly fascinated and inspired by Kenya's grand nature, its splendid colours and beautiful light. She loves capturing its faces, flowers and wildlife on paper and canvas. She mostly uses soft pastel crayons for her portraits and acrylics for her paintings.

Her works of art emanate an atmosphere which hovers in between realism and abstract explosions of colour and movement.

She has exhibited her works of art successfully all over Europe and Africa, most recently in 2013 at the United Nations in Nairobi.



Eveline Hasselman Kenya ya kisasa Acrylics 80cm x 100cm USD 1,675



Eveline Hasselman Lupita Soft pastel on paper 50cm x 70cm USD 1,050



MICHAEL SOI

Born in 1972, Michael graduated from art school in 1996 and now works as a full time artist in Nairobi, Kenya.

Michael worked with Kuona Trust from 1996 to 2009. He was the coordinator in charge of International Exchange of the Wasanii International Artists' Workshop and The International Artist Residency in Kenya.

He says his work is as simple as can be. 'I try to create an attitude of what you see might be what you get from it. I am involved in work that deletes, distorts and changes various images into what I want them to be, and am excited by the subtle play that erasure seems to create when executed in certain ways.'

'My work mostly touches on issues related to the youth like fashion trends, music and life in general. It is not about the suppression of images or the negation of what the image represents, but is about obscuring the images in order to create a different relationship between the final piece and the viewer.'



Michael Soi Koinange Street Acrylics on canvas 200cm x 100cm USD 2,215



Michael Soi Matatu Acrylics on canvas 140cm x 97cm USD 1,050



Michael Soi Hague express 6 Acrylics on canvas 122cm x 92cm USD 840



BONIFACE MAINA

For the past four years, Boniface has worked as a self-representative artist. His inspiration is drawn from social events in relation to how we react toward them.

He uses acrylics as his preferred medium because he feels it lets him put together all the elements and effects he needs in a painting as fast and as fresh as possible.

A look at his works and you will see that Boniface likes to incorporate a dream-like feature in his work to try and bring out what is on his mind both on a conscious and subconscious level.

Boniface was born in Nanyuki, Kenya, in the year 1987. Art is not only a talent he has had since I was little but also a passion. In 2006-2008, he attended the Y.M.C.A National Training Institute in Nairobi where I attained a Diploma in Art and Design.



Boniface Maina Liberation Acrylics on canvas 83cm x 130cm USD 2,500



Boniface Maina Sensuality Acrylics on canvas 76cm x 102cm USD 1,250



GEORGE KILLEEN & THE MASQUERADE SERIES

In many cultures, masks have played a crucial historical role in the development of understanding of what it means to be human. Essentially masks can permit the imaginative experience of the wearer to be transformed; be it sacred, practical or playful.

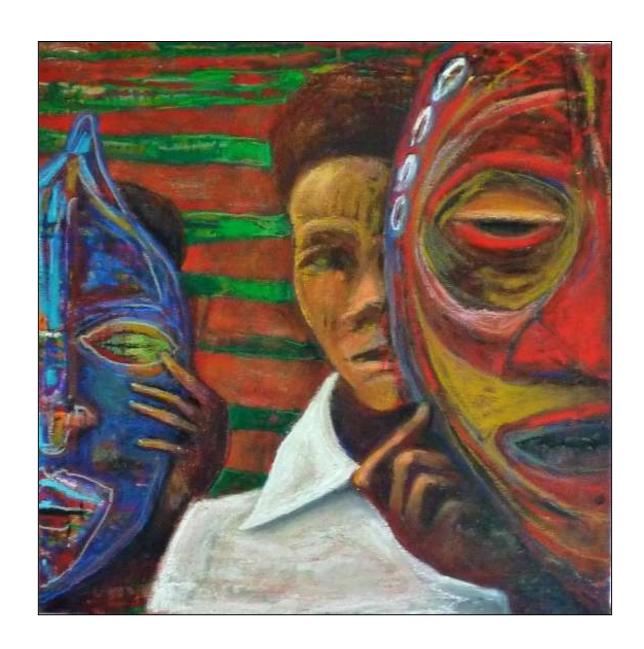
When I started this series of paintings, I initially thought masks were designed to 'cover up'. However, maybe the mask is more than just a means of disguise. It can also be an intercessor, a medium of transformation and an object of reflection.

I begin to ask myself; 'have I allowed living in Kenya to transform me? Am I putting outward that which usually lives inward? Will these paintings connect with others in a shared understanding of the human condition; that we are all capable of creating and transforming ourselves in an effort to finally remove the many masks wear to be our true selves?'

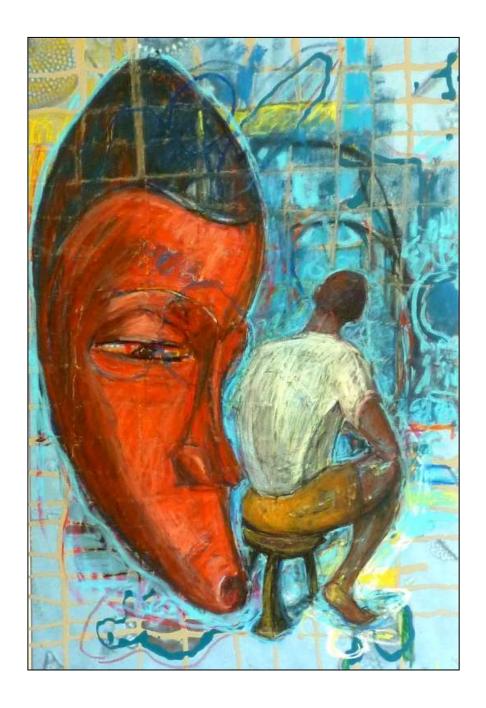
George Killeen Mombasa



George Killeen Masquerade 1 Mixed media 70cm x 70cm USD 700



George Killeen Masquerade II Mixed media 70cm x 70cm USD 700



George Killeen Masquerade III Mixed media 60cm x 88cm USD 700



George Killeen Masquerade IV Mixed media 88cm x 60cm USD 700



ANNE MWITI

In the little village of Meru on the slopes of Mount Kenya, a five year old Anne Mwiti made an abstract drawing of a girl. Her father inspected it and modified it. That was her first art lesson and from then on, she has never looked back.

She has slowly but steadily created a name for herself as an abstract artist whose pieces dwell on African thoughts and experiences, brought to life on the canvas by generous amounts of oils.

Anne draws inspiration from numerous sources. This can be seen in her body of works. 'Looking ForThe Other Half' documents the artists' belief whereby all beings have a relationship with others and are searching for their other half, making them whole.

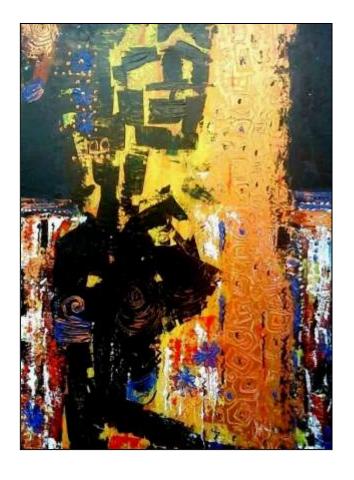
The artist is also inspired by nature; this can be seen in her work titled 'The Blue Valley' which seeks to show the natural beauty of the Aberdare Mountains in Rift Valley, with waterfalls and mixed vegetation bringing both man and nature together in celebration.

When at the National Museums of Kenya, Anne created 'The Meditating Boy', a painting she attributes to the oldest bones in human history. Anne is currently a lecturer in the Department of Art and Design at Kenyatta University in Nairobi where she is working on her PhD. She has won several commissions; her art has been in exhibitions numerous times and has also been sold to private collectors overseas.



Anne Mwiti Blue Nude Oils on canvas 60cm x 40cm USD 1,150





Anne Mwiti The Flute Player Oils on canvas 60cm x 80cm USD 1,775

Anne Mwiti The Seated Nude Oils on canvas 40cm x 60cm USD 1,150



Anne Mwiti Blue valley Acrylics on canvas 92cm x 122cm USD 2,090



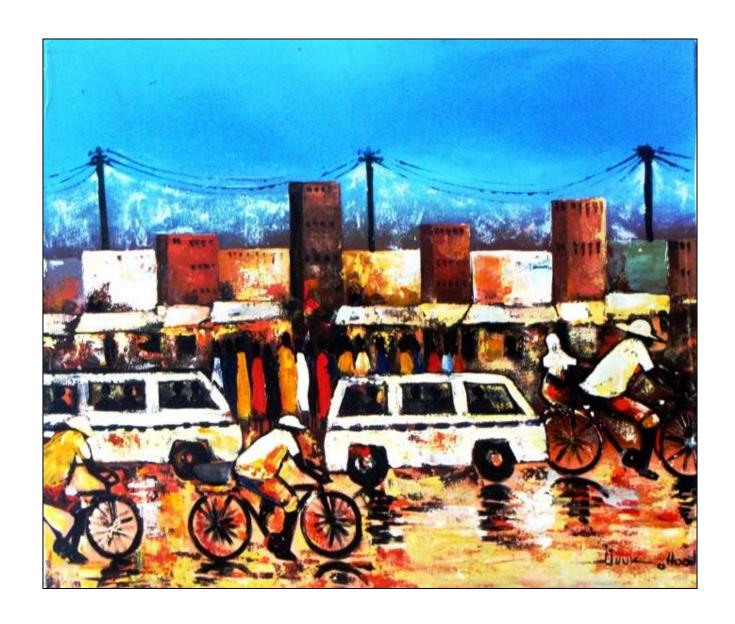
JJUUKO HOODS

Born in 1980, Jjuuko Hoods is one of the few Ugandan artists who have represented his country internationally.

He's a graduate with a first class degree from Kampala University and the Director and founder of GECKO Art Gallery Uganda.

Since 2000 Jjuuko has been very famous for his unique technique of bark cloth painting. He has managed to expand his scope of experiment by also venturing into media like recycled polythene bags, wood & metal fabrication and copper wire used on canvas.

Jjuuko succeeded in transforming contemporary African art out of the craft and artifact classification by integrating both modernity and traditional concept. He is an icon of the contemporary artist generation with a highly motivated goal of changing the landscape of Ugandan art in particular and African art in general.



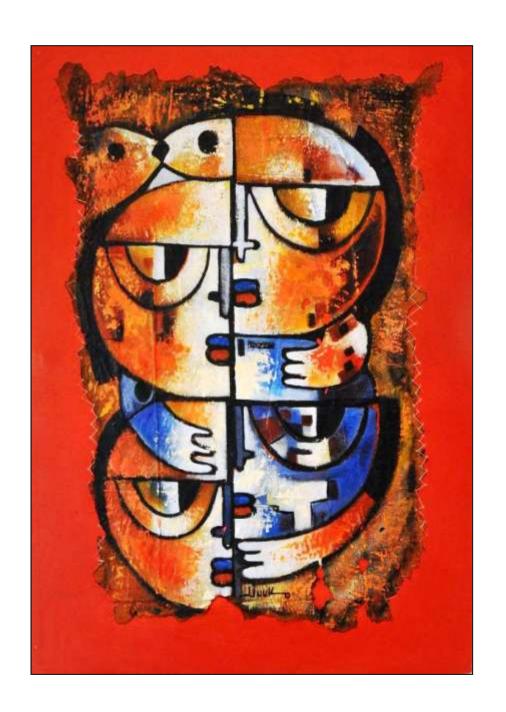
Jjuuko Hoods Ntinda Road Acrylics on canvas 100cm x 81cm USD 1,070



Jjuuko Hoods Peeping I Acrylics on canvas 100cm x 82cm USD 1,070



Jjuuko Hoods Good luck Acrylics on canvas & bark 82cm x 100cm USD 1,075



Jjuuko Hoods Peeping II Acrylics on canvas & bark 82cm x 100cm USD 1,075



JOHN KAMICHA

The son of well-known artist Zachariah Mbuthia, John has been raised in an atmosphere of art. He is a highly creative and sensitive young man, also known for his whacky sense of humour, which obviously manifests itself in his pieces.

Kamicha has done a series of works using Khangas (women's traditional wraps) as canvas. He paints and draws around the traditional motifs on the material making the background become part of the finished piece.

Through this technique he brings the act of painting closer to his own culture and experience.

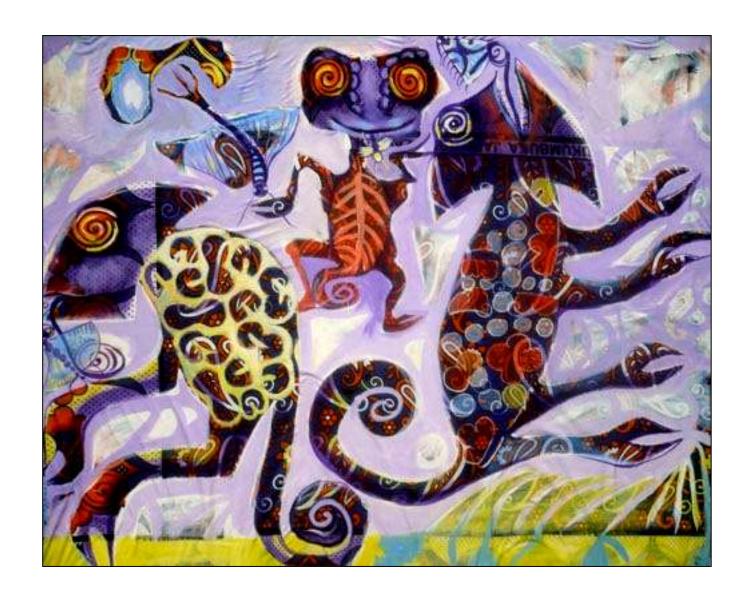
Those familiar with his work can see a crystallization of his talents over the last year and his recent work is very exciting and holds promise of a lot more to come.

Exhibitions

'Best of East African art' - group show
'Habitat' - group show at UNEP
'Biodiversity' - group show at UNEP
Group exhibition at the Goethe Institute
RaMoMA (Museum of Modern Art)
Group exhibition at the German Residence

Commissions

British council Nairobi National Museum Kabete Children's Home



John Kamicha Chameleon 3 Acrylics on khanga 100cm x 82cm USD 1,050



John Kamicha Red Hyena Acrylics on khanga 100cm x 100cm USD 1,050





John Kamicha Yellow Hyena Acrylics on khanga 56cm x 53cm USD 425 John Kamicha Green Hyena Acrylics on khanga 50cm x 65cm USD 425



MOSES NYAWANDA

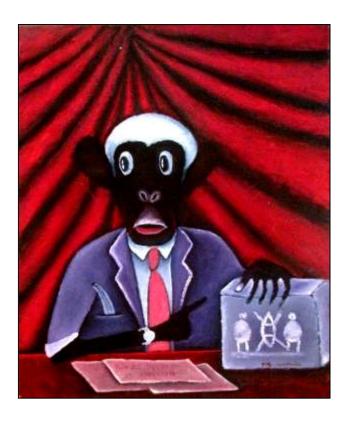
Moses Nyawanda comes from Kericho district, high in Kenya's famed western tea growing area, where he was born in 1972.

At high school he designed the school's barge, still in use today. Nyawanda joined the Creative Art Centre (Nairobi) in 1993 for a three year diploma in Fine Arts, after which he worked as a laboratory assistant for he could not afford to go into art as a full time career. He soon adapted lab tools to his artistic advantage; spatulas for painting, palette knives, scalpels formatting and Petri dishes as palettes.

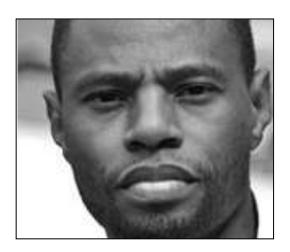
With a style entirely his own, he soon attracted the attention of art lovers in Nairobi and exhibitions at the British and French embassies followed. Moses attended various sponsored workshops. He learned mainly common techniques but the training equipped the budding artist to make a living with handicrafts, while devoting some time to his desire to experiment with modern art. Moses was drawn mostly to the abstract.

He has since participated in multiple group and solo exhibitions, winning him art prizes. Most of his paintings are done on canvas and his subjects are the people of Kenya. Moses uses gesture and facial expressions to the extreme in abstract almost cubistic form to express his dedication to his subject study. He is today one of Africa's renowned abstract artist. His works are well worth collecting.





Moses Nyawanda New bicycle Acrylics on canvas 56cm x 56cm USD 670 Moses Nyawanda The monkey Acrylics on canvas 50cm x 60cm USD 630



ARNOLD BIRUNGI

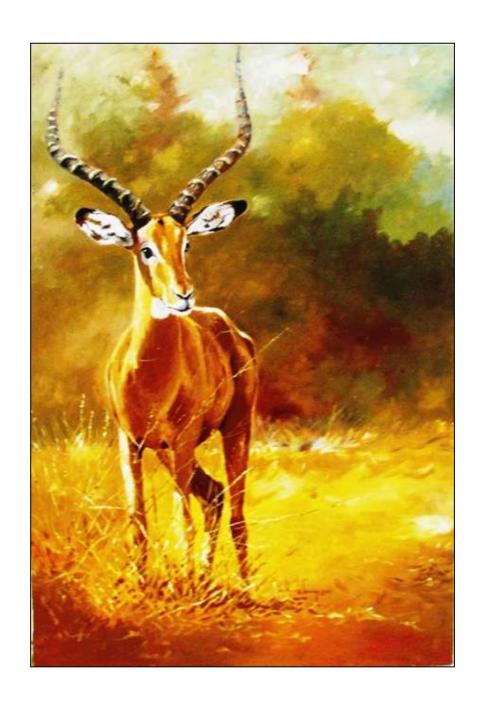
Arnold Birungi is a Ugandan born in south western Uganda, Rukungiri district. He holds a bachelor's degree in Industrial and Fine Arts from Makerere University. Arnold is a realist oil and water colour painter and paints mainly people and wild life.

He has practiced art since he left school and has a painting studio located in Bukoto town.

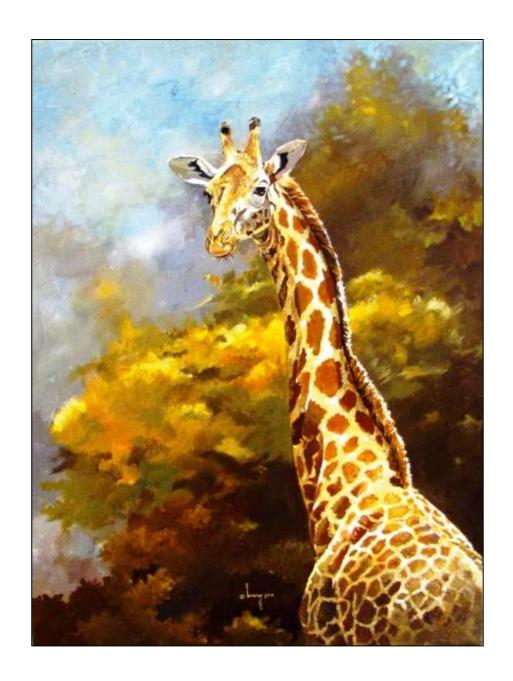
Arnold is a professional visual artist, specializing in painting and drawing illustrations and has an amazing eye for detail. He has been drawing communication materials for several NGOs, businesses and the public sector for the past 10 years.

Birungi started as a water and oil painter and has participated in a number of successful art exhibitions. His watercolor illustrations have been used in several behavior change communication materials, children's books, newspapers and magazines.

Recently he specialized in digitally enhancing images into appealing photo-like illustrations. He has put up a number of successful art exhibitions and holds private classes for people interested in drawing.



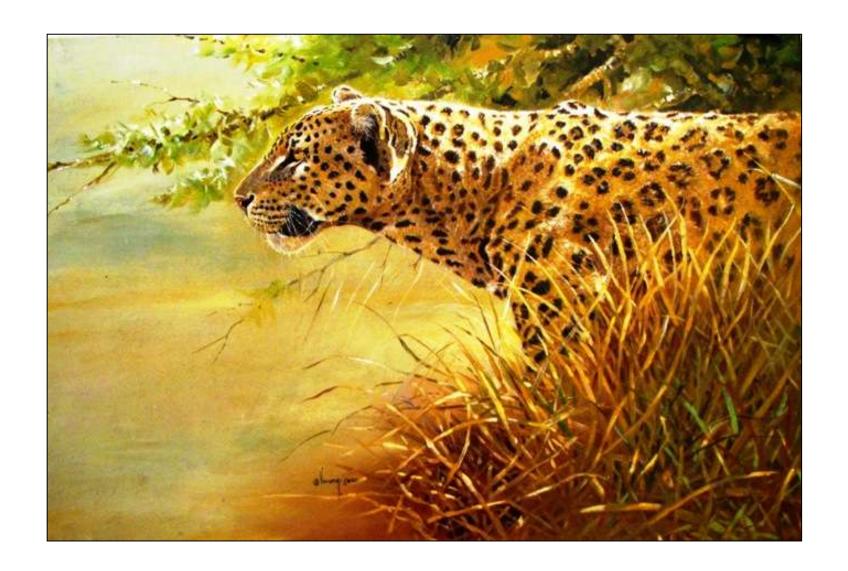
Arnold Birungi
Antelope lost
Acrylics on canvas
60cm x 89cm
USD 1,050



Arnold Birungi
Giraffe elegance
Acrylics on canvas
61cm x 81cm
USD 1,050



Arnold Birungi
Water buck vantage point
Acrylics on canvas
81cm x 61cm
USD 1,050



Arnold Birungi Leopard curiosity Acrylics on canvas 89cm x 60cm USD 1,050



SIMON MURIITHI

Born in a small village on the slopes of the Aberdare Mountains in 1973, Simon Muriithi is a self-taught Kenyan artist of great repute.

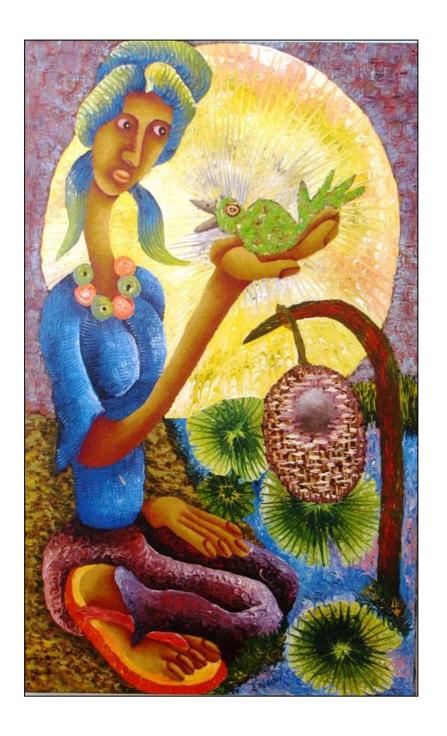
As far as he can remember, Simon has thought of art as a great pastime owing greatly to the inspiration he got from his mother, whom he describes as an avid art lover, and also from teachers when he finally got to school.

When Simon was in class one, he won an art award, his first, which further encouraged the prodigy to take this profession very seriously. Little did he know that it would be the first of many, including being voted as one of the twelve most outstanding artists in the Housing Finance visual art exhibition and second prize in a competition organized by the Hotel Intercontinental.

Simon says he did not get any formal art training other than the introductory studies every student goes through, though his interest was nurtured at home where he got art materials from his encouraging mother.

He has gone on to be a professional artist, exhibiting both locally and abroad. His style is abstract and bold, with intricate designs flowing through his acrylics.

Simon is a modest artist, saying of his fortunes: "I am happy that God has given me the talent of art."



Simon Muriithi Where is mum Acrylics on canvas 71cm x 117cm USD 1,250



BEZALEL NGABO

Ngabo was born in the capital of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Kinshasa. He realized he had artistic abilities while still very young and when he finally became of age he studied at Academy des Beaux Arts to build his skill.

Painting is Ngabo's way of appreciating the beautiful world that we live in. The artist aims to educate viewers of the basic virtues of life that help contribute in making our world even more beautiful.

Ngabo draws a lot of inspiration from the Holy Bible, which he believes is a mirror to the human spirit and from day to day happenings in our society.

EXHIBITIONS

October 2012 to date - Cultural Heritage Gallery, Arusha

August 2012 - Sophia, at the Village market Nairobi

June 2012 - The Hidden Man, at Osteria Art Gallery

January 2012 - Souvenir d'Afrique 2, at Banana Hill art gallery

January 2012 - Osteria Art Gallery Inauguration Exhibition

August 2011- Souvenir d'Afrique 1, at the Talisman Restaurant, Karen



Bezalel Ngabo The Real You Acrylics on canvas 102cm x 153cm USD 2,840



Bezalel Ngabo Bounds of love Acrylics on canvas 152cm x 100cm USD 2,840



Bezalel Ngabo African Proverbs Acrylics on canvas 100cm x 100cm USD 2,500



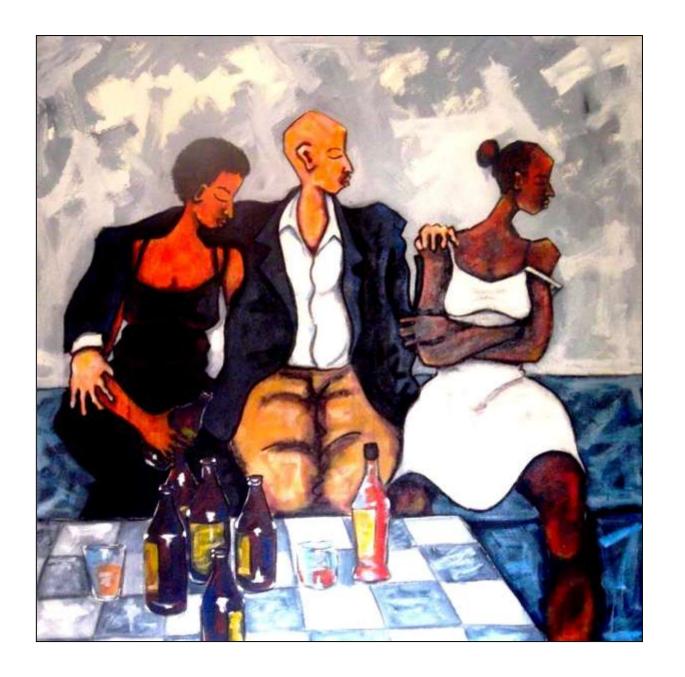
THOM OGONGA

Born and bred, schooled and now living & working in Nairobi, Thom started out as a painter but with time has ventured into printmaking and occasionally tries out his hand in photography, video and site-specific installations.

Ogonga is not only interested in identity and socio-political narratives & interrogations as themes of his work, but also in the daily happenings of the city he lives in. He is fascinated by the night life and the beauty of women, as is evident in his work. His art is clean, reductive and illustrative, often working with the female form.

He has exhibited widely in Kenya and abroad and also participated in several International Artists Workshops.

He also took part in special projects like the travelling billboard (images in transit) and painting with refugees in the camps (building art together) and was awarded the 2nd prize in the painting category in the Elysee Treaty competition in 2006.



Thom Ogonga B&W- 06 Acrylic and charcoal 100cm x 100cm USD 1,775





Thom Ogonga B&W- 02 Acrylic and charcoal 50cm x 50cm USD 525

Thom Ogonga B&W- 03 Acrylic and charcoal 50cm x 50cm USD 525



DAVID MAIDEN

David Maiden is a young British artist who was brought up in the beautiful scenery of the Lake District National Park in the north of England.

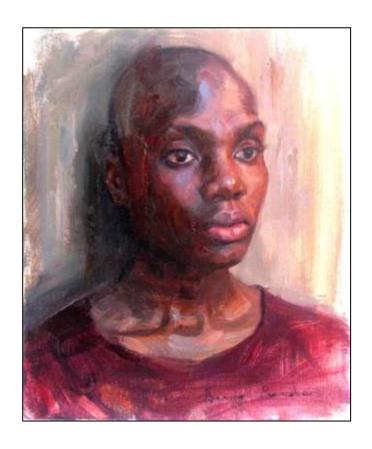
After University, he spent four years in London exhibiting his work in a number of galleries. Two years ago David and his wife Joanna decided to pack up their lives in London and move here to the Kenyan coast in search of inspiration for his new work.

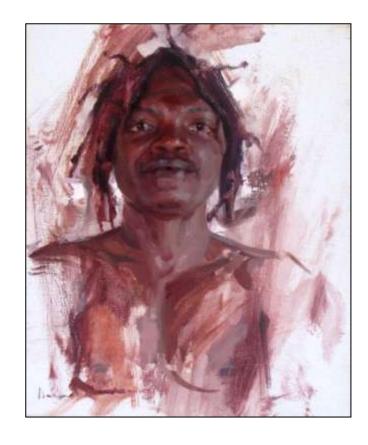
Before moving to Kenya, David used to paint almost exclusively in black and white. This quickly changed once he arrived in Africa. David fell in love with the vibrancy of the bright coastal colours, with the regions rich hues, the variety of landscapes and the versatility of cultures reflected in the human form. All this has now become characteristic for his art.

David initially trained as a photographer before turning his attention to painting almost 10 years ago. Photography has a big influence on his work which is often very photographic in detail.

But unlike in photographs, an untamed edge to David's work makes it all the more fascinating, where his finishing is mostly sketchy and dreamy.

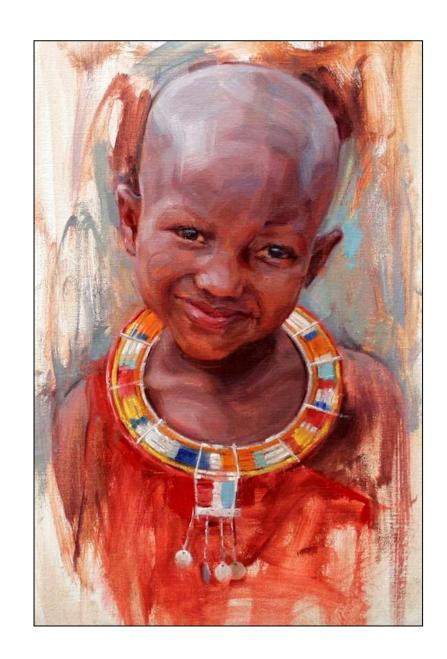
David paints a wide subject matter but specializes in portraits and scenery with some of his portraits having been commissioned by clients around the world.





David Maiden Achieng' Oil on linen 25cm x 30cm USD 525

David Maiden Acrobat III Oil on linen 25cm x 30cm USD 550



David Maiden Maasai Girl Oil on linen 31cm x 46cm USD 675



David Maiden African Mask I Oil on linen (framed) 44cm x 40cm USD 575



KASAMBEKO PAUL

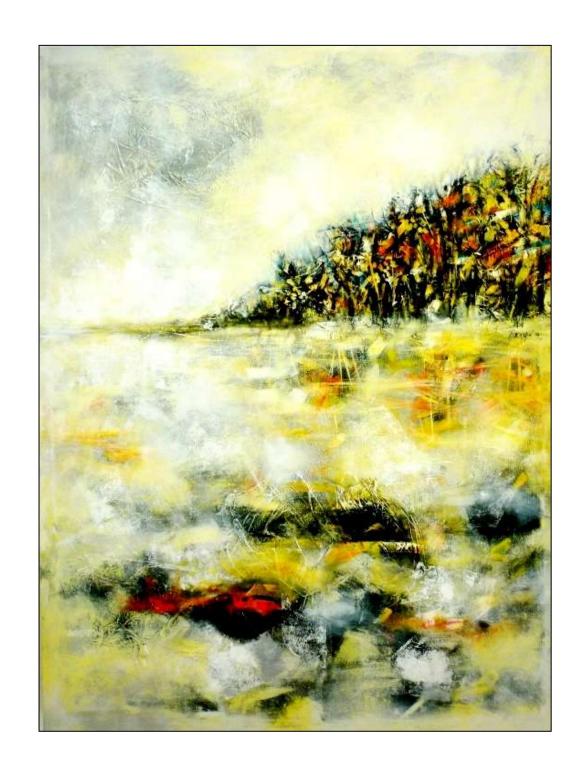
Kasambeko Paul is a Ugandan artist born in 1980 in Jinja District. He attended Makerere University, Uganda, from where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Industrial and Fine Arts in 2004.

He began to paint professionally in 2003 and has since been involved in numerous art exhibitions in Uganda, East Africa and even Holland.

'Kaspa,' as he is better known, says that being involved in art has been a long time dream of his. His art is an inner reflection of himself, intended to create an outstanding impact on the public especially in their day to day life.

His subjects are drawn from his life experiences, day-to-day activities, landscapes and seascapes, people, their cultures and norms. Kaspa uses oils and acrylics, water colors, the collage technique, sisal and bark cloth, and other found objects.

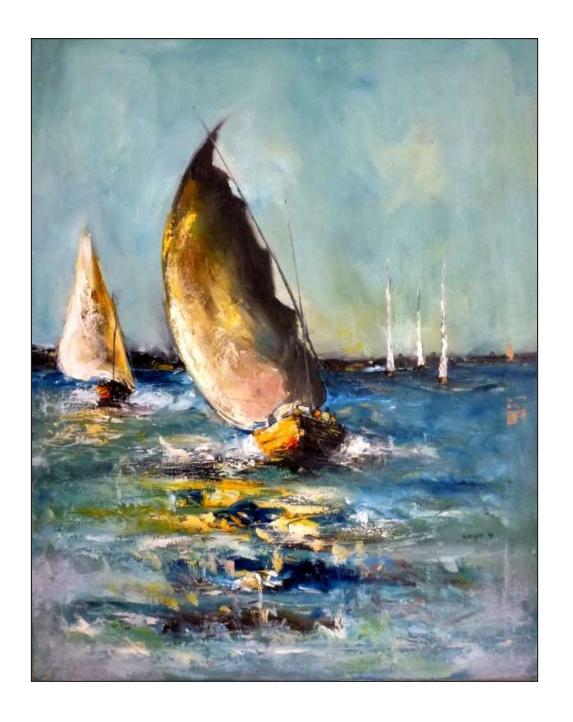
His works are abstract and semi- abstract, impressionistic and figurative in nature.



Kasambeko Paul Dream Island Acrylics on canvas 100cm x 120cm USD 1,390



Kasambeko Paul Boats on the shore Acrylics on canvas 100cm x 75cm USD 840



Kasambeko Paul Dhow Series II Acrylics on canvas 75cm x 95cm USD 1,250



Kasambeko Paul Dhow Series II Acrylics on canvas 67cm x 83cm USD 940



Kasambeko Paul Dhow Series II Acrylics on canvas 100cm x 75cm USD 1,090



YONAS MELESA

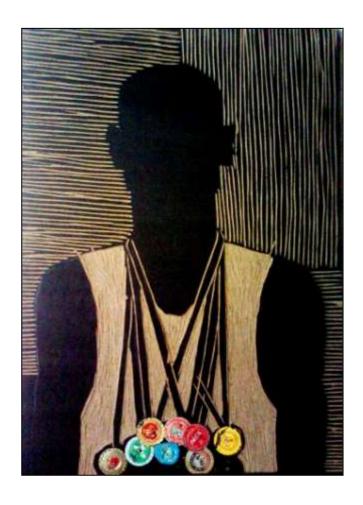
Born in Ethiopia, Yonas started his artistic journey at a young age and says that science aims to know, while art endeavors to express, a school of thought that he feels is open to all.

As an artist whose style is that of minimalism, where less is more, he says he draws a lot of inspiration from both natural and artificial forms, mostly geometrical in nature.

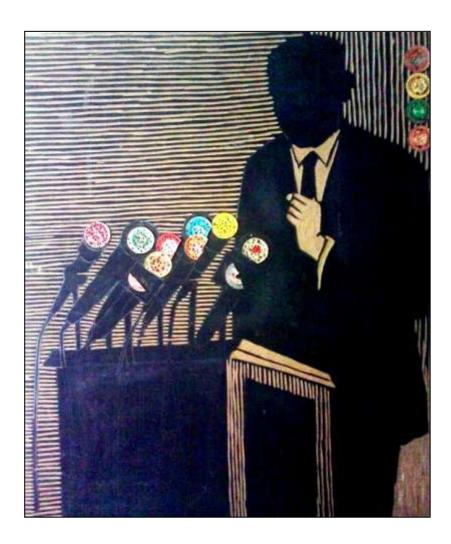
Yonas uses art as a channel of expression to deal with his inner conflicts, fears and tensions as well as show his audience what he aspires to, hopes for while also highlighting his personal ideals.

As a full time studio artist who uses a range of media, he hopes that his work may reflect his convictions and enforce positive social change.

Yonas was born in 1982 and holds a Graphics Diploma from The Entoto College of Fine Art and Design in Ethiopia.







Yonas Melesa Media Woodcut- mounted and framed 58cm x 70cm USD 400



Yonas Melesa Football players I Woodcut- mounted and framed 78cm x 47cm USD 400



Yonas Melesa Sister Sister Woodcut- mounted and framed 87cm x 69cm USD 900



EPHREM SOLOMON

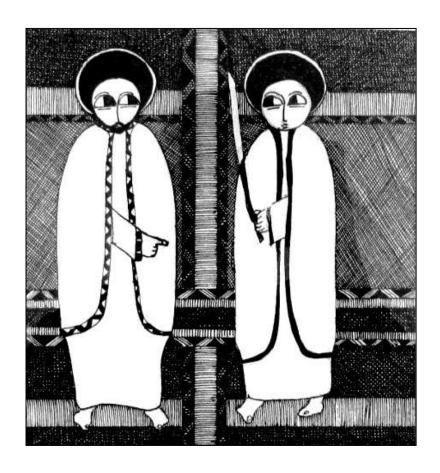
Ephrem Solomon Tegegn is an Ethiopian artist born in Addis Ababa in 1985. After he finished high school he went on to art school to realize his childhood dream of becoming an artist and graduated with a Diploma in Graphics from Entoto Art School 2009.

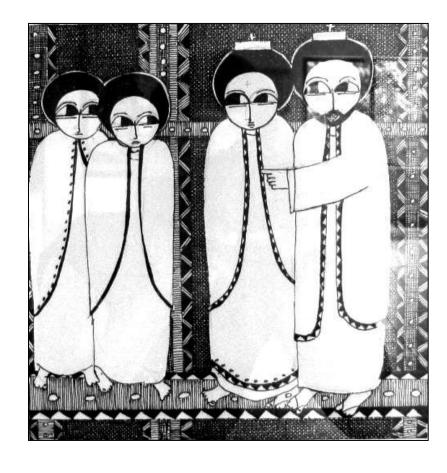
Ephrem is inspired by socio-political feelings concerning human and natural life. Sometimes he paints on themes that reflect his personal experiences; things that happened to him in his past and his vision for the future.

Generally, he believes life is composed of two colors: black, and white. What is real and what is not.

Ephrem expresses that he sometimes feels a strong need to create paintings that are unapologetically descriptive of the things that happen in his immediate surroundings: A view of the city, people he knows, familiar hallways and spaces, or elements of nature that appeal to him.

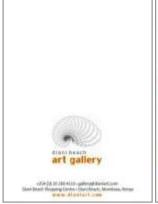
At times his work depicts a different kind of 'reality', one that is highly fictitious and free of the limitations of truthfully recording his experiences. Chairs in his work express the past, present and future.





Ephrem Solomon Makeda Meets Solomon Ink drawing- framed 31cm x 31cm USD 190 Ephrem Solomon
Makeda with Father and Mother
Ink drawing- framed
31cm x 31cm
USD 190





















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SHIV KAPILA

Shiv is a Raptor expert and self-taught wildlife photographer working primarily with two of Africa's most charismatic birds of prey: the Martial Eagle and the African Fish Eagle.



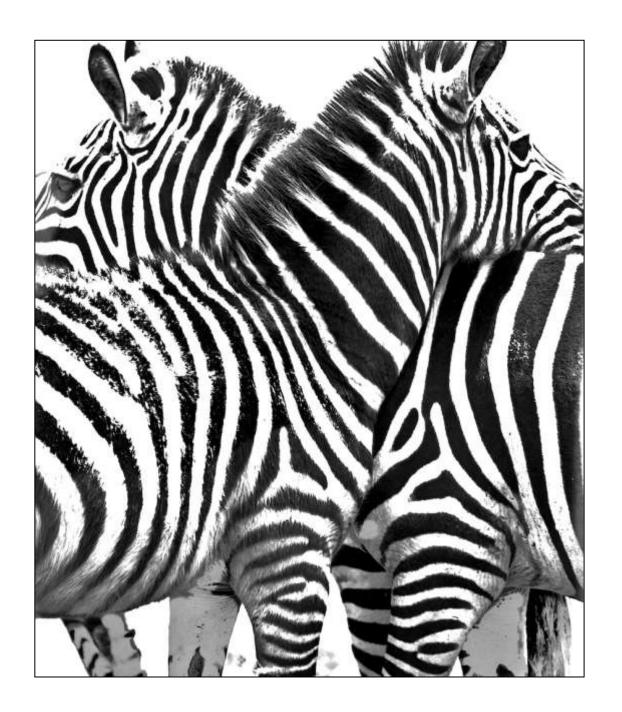
Shiv has spent the last three years in India, working with vultures, and in Kenya, spending much time in Naivasha and on the Athi Plains to study raptors.

But as a photographer, his focus is not only on birds of prey but also on mammals — Shiv takes amazing photos of Wildebeests, Zebras and other larger wildlife which not only bring forth the raw beauty of Africa, but its soft side as well.

To sell and exhibit his art is an opportunity for Shiv to raise funds for his upcoming PhD study, to begin at The University of Edinburgh in 2013. He plans to focus on a African raptors and their inter-specific ecological requirements and relationships in the Samburu district of northern Kenya.

Shiv's photographs have been published on several occasions in newspapers and magazines such as The East African, The Guardian (UK), The Telegraph (UK), Swara (the journal of The East African Wildlife Society), Kenya Birding, Africa Geographic and National Geographic Magazines.

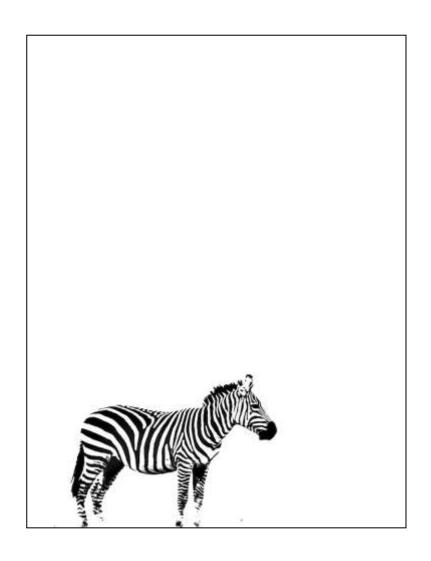
Born in Nairobi in 1986, Shiv attended school in England from a young age before attaining a degree in Geology from the University of Bristol. He also holds a Masters qualification in Conservation from University College London (UCL).

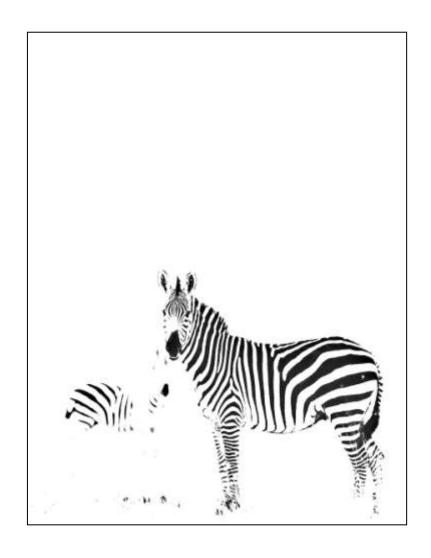


Shiv Kapila Zebra Love Photograph on canvas 102cm x 118cm

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Offer price: USD 1,952

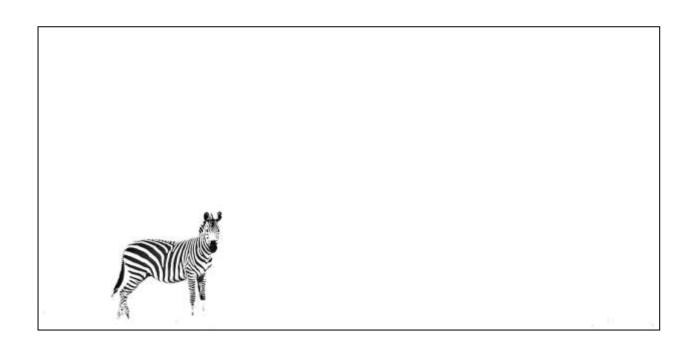




Shiv Kapila Horizons 1 Photograph on canvas 30cm x 42cm

Standard gallery price: USD 500 Offer Price: USD 400 Shiv Kapila Horizons 2 Photograph on canvas 30cm x 42cm

Standard gallery price: USD 500
Offer Price: USD 400



Shiv Kapila Horizons 3 Photograph on canvas 42cm x 30cm

Standard gallery price: USD 500

Offer Price: USD 400







Shiv Kapila Crocodiles Feeding Photo, mounted and framed as one piece 66cm x 20cm

Standard gallery price: USD 820 Offer Price: USD 656



Shiv Kapila African Sunset Photograph on water colour paper 60cm x 42cm Standard gallery price: USD 320

Offer Price: USD 256



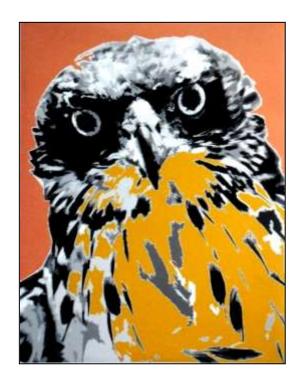
Shiv Kapila
Eternal Mountain
Photograph on watercolour paper
60cm x 42cm
Standard gallery price: USD 320

Offer Price: USD 256



Shiv Kapila Speed Photograph on water colour paper 60cm x 42cm

Standard gallery price: USD 320 Offer Price: USD 256





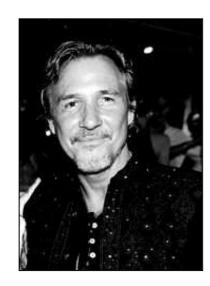




Shiv Kapila Warhol 1-4 Photograph on canvas 30cm x 42cm

Standard gallery price: USD 500 each

Offer Price: USD 400 each



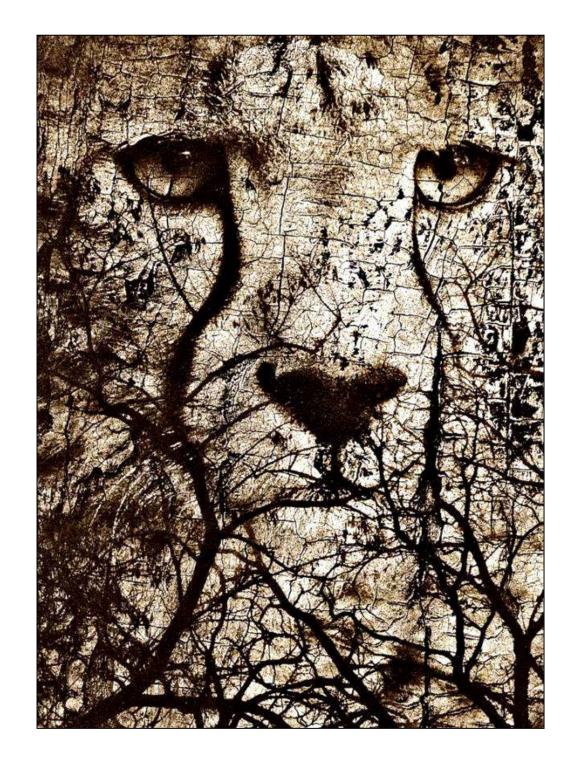
ANTHONY RUSSELL & THE TSAVO CHEETAH PROJECT

Proceeds from this sale benefit the Tsavo Cheetah Project's field efforts to protect and conserve the Tsavo ecosystem cheetah population.

About the artist: **ANTHONY RUSSELL**, born and raised in Kenya and the UK, is an artist, designer, musician, and most of all, mad-keen conservationist In addition, he has worked with Richard Leakey, Ian Douglas Hamilton, the Honourable Member of Parliament George Saitoti, Paul Allen and Donna Karan on community design orientation projects and pure wildlife protection projects.

Anthony has had the support for his endeavors from Calvin Klein and Stephano Gabbana to Ronnie Wood & David Bailey, and foundations such as the Ford Foundation, the UN and the European Union biodiversity programs.

About the project: **TSAVO CHEETAH PROJECT,** Principle Investigator Chérie Schroff, with an MSc in Animal Ecology, founded and commenced the Tsavo Cheetah Project in late 2011, in affiliation with the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS). The Tsavo East based project works on effective cheetah conservation and monitoring programs for the long-term protection and conservation of this critical, trans-boundary cheetah population.



Anthony Russell In the Wild Layered print 61cm x 84cm USD 2,840



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PATRICK MULONDO

Patrick Mulondo is one of Uganda's youngest yet most promising talents- he fuses a burning love for sculpting and a great talent for visual arts in a highly dynamic way.

Patrick is intrigued by the challenge of creating entirely unique pieces from a largely random collection of discarded objects by welding, and is particularly fond of the human form.

Mulondo feels that giving these old, common items a new and extraordinary life in the form of sculpture is artistically very challenging, yet he gets a huge sense of gratification from the process and ultimately the completion of his breathtaking works.

The artist also designs his pieces so that they can be highly interactive and prompt viewers to question the reality of what they see. Some are left unfinished to add to the element of mysticism that he seeks to convey.

When asked what drives him, Mulondo says, "My classmate reactions fuel my motivation." One look at any of the sculptor's pieces and you will understand why!

Mulondo was born in Uganda in 1989 and holds a Bachelor degree in Fine Arts degree from Makerere University.





Patrick Mulondo's 'Rock It!' as installed at The Sands at Nomad Hotel in Diani Beach: http://goo.gl/lkbRjB

Patrick Mulondo Rock It! Junk Metal Parts 32cm x 55cm x 174cm USD 3,570



Patrick Mulondo Curiosity Junk Metal Parts 40cm x 55cm x 70cm USD 2,750



Patrick Mulondo
Koney Trumpeting
Junk Metal Parts/Fibreglass
71cm x 41cm x 20cm
USD 2,650



Patrick Mulondo Spark into the future Junk Metal Parts 97cm x 49cm x 53cm USD 4,125



Patrick Mulondo My Identity Junk Metal Parts 69cm x 41cm x 30cm USD 2,840



Patrick Mulondo Flanked by beauty I Mixed media sculpture 45cm x 35cm x 80cm USD 2,200



GAKUNJU KAIGWA

Gakunju Kaigwa has been sculpting since the early 1980s after receiving a Bachelor of Education degree in Fine Arts from Kenyatta University. He later obtained a Master's Degree in Fine Arts from the University of Dundee in Scotland.

With his extensive experience at academies and apprenticeships in Europe and the United States, Gakunju may well be the most versatile sculptor in Nairobi.

His materials range from stone, wood and bronze, to steel, resin and fiber-glass. He sees his artistic role as that of a storyteller and feels that he has been given a unique opportunity to chronicle and comment on the times in which he lives in a visual and tangible format.

He is interested in the limitless potential of mixed media and plans to take his work to a larger scale, possibly as commissioned in public spaces throughout Kenya.

This sculpture and more works by Gakunju Kaigwa are featured in Kenya Airways' Msafiri Magazine

Edition 99, April 2014, Page 87
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Gakunju Kaigwa Grief Fibre glass and resin 93cm x 70cm x 159cm USD 8,375



TOM ONEYA

There are very few clay sculptors in developing countries like Kenya. This is because the training is not diversified enough to show and encourage the potential of artists and to help further their talents.

However, born in the early 1960's Tom Otieno Oneya already developed a strong interest in the art of clay sculpture in his young childhood years. He had no proper art teacher throughout his primary level of education, a factor that did not hinder the progress of his unique talent in working with this medium.

A new wind of positive transformation on Oneya's quality of art blew when he joined Nyabondo High School for his secondary education.

At this school Tom managed to join a group of young and talented artist under the tutelage of the late Father Leo Bartels of Nyabondo Mission in Kisumu district. Under the guidance of Father Leo, Tom could develop and hone his skills in the fine art of clay sculpturing.

After completing his secondary education Tom joined the Agoro Sare High school. He was admitted as the only student for the subject of Art. The lack of peers did not discourage him in his passion for the subject, and he enjoyed the focus and attention of an art teacher hired especially for him.

Finally, Oneya joined the Kenya Polytechnic in 1989 for his Diploma Course in Graphic Design.

Tom decided to become a fulltime artist after he successfully completed his college training and now works full time as a clay sculptor.





Tom Oneya Turkana woman with baby Clay sculpture 20cm x 18cm x 50cm USD 210 Tom Oneya Masai woman with baby Clay sculpture 20cm x 18cm x 50cm USD 210





Tom Oneya Treasure hunter Clay sculpture 30cm x 18cm x 20cm USD 210 Tom Oneya Firestarter Clay sculpture 30cm x 18cm x 15cm USD 210



Tom Oneya Thinking Masai woman Clay sculpture 27cm x 20cm x 30cm USD 210

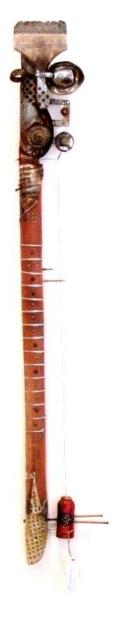
DENNIS MURAGURI SCULPTURES

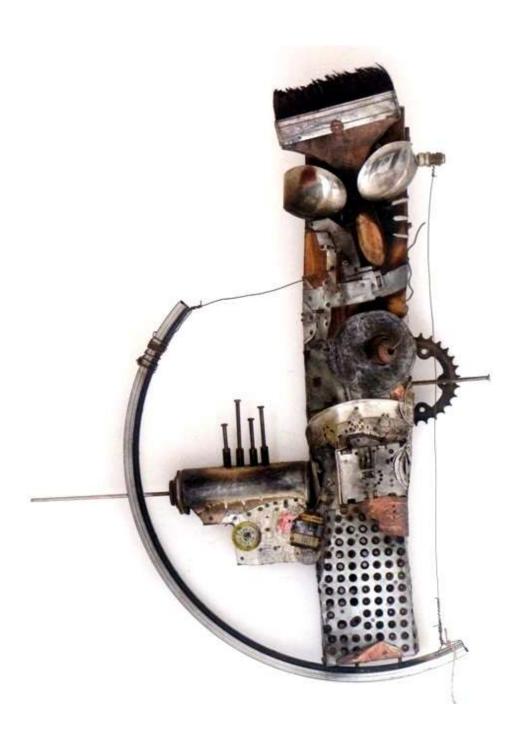
For the artists biography and his work on canvas please go to page 52

Sculpture to the left
Dennis Muraguri
Commercial Tunes
Mixed media sculpture
20cm x 10cm x 210cm
USD 2,000

Sculpture to the right Dennis Muraguri Swagga Mixed media sculpture 20cm x 10cm x 154cm USD 2,000







Dennis Muraguri International Herb Mixed media sculpture 55cm x 10cm x 75cm USD 1250



Jack of all Trades

The piece is based on how some people want to do it all, regardless of whether others can do it better or not. In a political sense this refers to dictators who want to run everything their way, which of course is not the best way of handling things in a modern society!

Dennis Muraguri Jack Of All Trades Mixed media sculpture 42cm x 25cm x 100cm USD 2650



Obama or The Portrait of a Politician

This piece is firstly the portrait of Obama, but deeper still, it is the image of most politicians. One side of the sculpture shows a politician with a microphone, symbolizing the media. The media portray their opponents as the beast [back side of the sculpture] but in the end they are one and the same and if tables were turned the latter would do the same. The chain symbolizes the fact that politicians are also slaves to their politics.

Dennis Muraguri
Obama or The Portrait of a Politician
Mixed media sculpture
50cm x 30cm x 77cm
USD 1100



KEPHA MOSOTI

As a youth, Kepha started honing his artistic skills by figure, nature and landscape drawing, but the urge to sculpt grew more and more as years went by.

He is now one of Kenya's foremost sculptors.

Nyanza province and Kisii in particular, where Kepha was born and raised, has a rich history of curving and sculpting, and this had a great influence in his career as an artist.

His wooden and mixed media sculptures are characterized by a blend of both realism and abstract forms. Using fire sometimes, he achieves remarkable results as the wood and its features are accentuated by burning them and later brushing off the edges.

He also paints, but leans more towards sculpting as he feels 3 dimensional pieces readily express emotion, including features and expressions on the human face. He favours the human form too saying he relates to it better than anything else.

Kepha also makes exemplary pieces based on footwear, with some that have socio-political stories behind them. The sculptor is heavily inspired by fellow Kenyan artists Cyrus Kabiru and particularly Dennis Muraguri, who he shares similar themes. He holds a Diploma in Fine Arts from the Buruburu Institute of Fine Arts and currently works in the Kenyan capital; Nairobi.



Kepha Mosoti High top shoes Wooden sculpture 16cm x 53cm x 14cm USD 425



Kepha Mosoti

Wooden sculpture 17cm x 7cm x 111cm USD 525



Kepha Mosoti Curiosity Wooden sculpture 16cm x 53cm x 14cm USD 425



Kepha Mosoti The Witchdoctor Wooden sculpture 16cm x 53cm x 11cm USD 175



KASHYAP GOHEL & ARJUN SINGH

Kashyap Gohel and Arjun Singh Assa are a partnership of two young artists, whose combined passion for natural materials gave rise to art in wood as their first of many future materials.

Schooled together in Mombasa these two friends bonded due to common interests and began developing unique forms of art.

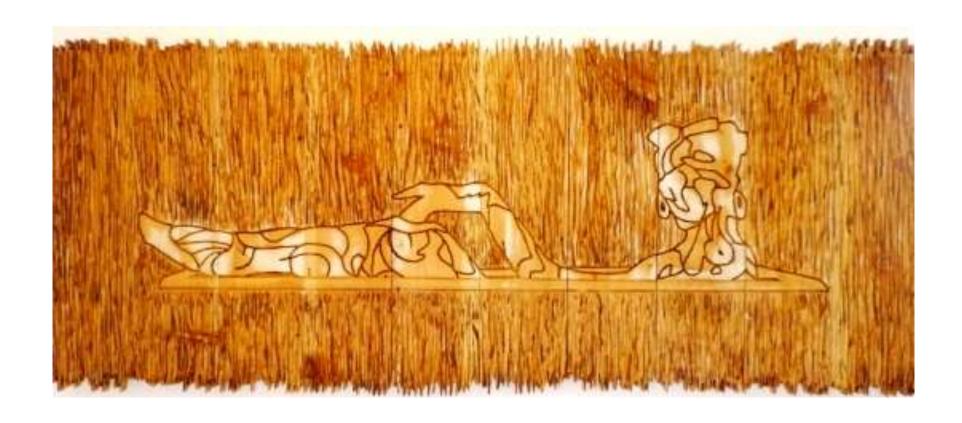
Arjun Singh SewakAssa, who is currently interning at his family's furniture workshop, Ranjodh Ltd. was born in Mombasa and practically brought up in the family workshop.

Due to this, he has developed a profound affinity for woodwork. His style embraces deeply abstract thinking and organic shapes.

Kashyap Pravin Gohel, is a self-taught artist who currently is in his third year pursuing Bachelor of Architecture at JKUAT, Main campus. His style revolves largely around meaningful aesthetics and fusion of different materials. He is also a One Young World Ambassador having attended the Pittsburgh and South Africa (Johannesburg) leadership summits.

Collectively, their subjects take on a 3 Dimensional form through wooden sculptures that are layered. This creates for a splendid effect. They create various textures on their pieces through manually adding them while depending on the wood grain to add aesthetics through different shades and hues.

Both sculptors graduated with the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program at the Aga Khan Academy, Mombasa, and Arjun additionally took up a Higher Level Visual Arts course.



Arjun and Kashyap Lady In The Bathtub Wooden sculpture 140cm x 60cm USD 1,000



Arjun and Kashyap Hostage Of The Mind Wooden sculpture panels 140cm x 140cm USD 2,090

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PETER KENYANYA

Peter Kenyanya Oendo was born in 1977 into a family of sculptors at a rural village known as Bomware, Tabaka in Gucha South district about 350 kms away from the capital centre of Kenya; Nairobi.

He is a natural talent and didn't have the privilege of learning art at any institute. In 1996, after high school, Kenyanya worked in Nakuru as a sculptor, but two years down the line decided to move on to the outskirts of Nairobi where he worked for an arts firm for another year.

He then moved in with his cousin, who was doing sculptures for an Asian client where he got valuable experience. In 2000 he quit sculpting and ventured into production and selling of curio and handcrafts. In 2006 he went back to full time art and got his breakthrough in 2008 when he became fully independent.

Kenyanya's sculptures are elaborate works of art with immaculate finishing. He gets his inspiration from Mr. Naftali Momanyi, a long time friend and mentor from his high school days.

Kenyanya is actively involved in various charitable ventures and owns a studio at the Kuona Trust in Hurlingham, Nairobi. He would in future want to build a studio in the countryside to nature young art and give it a platform to develop.



Peter Kenyanya The Rainmaker Grey Kisii Stone 30cm x 40cm x 55cm

Standard gallery price: USD 1,230

Offer Price: USD 615



Peter Kenyanya The Patriot Soap Stone 36cm x 147cm x 51cm

Standard gallery price: USD 2,500 Offer Price: USD 1,250

Peter Kenyanya Early Man Grey Kisii Stone 30cm x 40cm x 44cm

Standard gallery price: USD 1,230

Offer Price: USD 615



Peter Kenyanya White Owl Soap Stone 36cm x 87cm x 55cm

Standard gallery price: USD 1,250 Offer Price: USD 625

Peter Kenyanya Face Granite 34cm x 39cm x 64cm

Standard gallery price: USD 1,580
Offer Price: USD 790















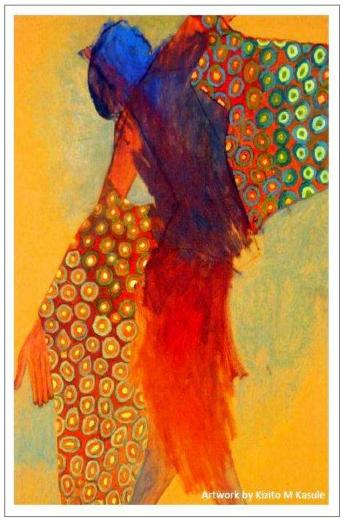




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